

Township Industrialists, Leaders Predict Bright '55

TOWNSHIP TOPICS

By HARRIET GITTINGS

This Week's Question: What do you see for your business and for Washington Township in 1955?

"I believe we're going to have a very prosperous year in 1955," Joseph Eastwood Jr., President Pacific Steel Corp., Niles.

"We have twice as many foundations down now now as we did last year at this time. We had 1187 new customers last year, and already there are that many foundations for houses to be completed next year. That means at least 5,000 new people in the Township," Peter D. Juhl, Local Manager, P.G. & E.

"I can see continued stable employment for next year," Raymond Moran, Resident Manager, Westvaco, Newark.

"There's no question that it'll be a better year than last," Tony Pinto, Township Distributor, Standard Oil Company of California, Irvington.

"We are quite optimistic. We are in the process of building a corrugated paper plant that will employ 100 local people," Charles Eddie, Manager, American Forest Products, Newark.

"I think it looks good. Prospects are good, especially for this area," D. A. Gildersleeve, Plant Manager, Rhodes and Jamieson Ltd., Centerville.

"I think it looks very bright. In fact, better than 1954," Marvin Coker, President, Irvington Lumber Company, Irvington.

"It should be very good. All indications are that 1955 will be a good year," W. E. Sletten, Sletten's Department Store, Niles.

"We think 1955 is going to be better than ever. We will complete our Newark tract next year," John Peters, Smith-Peters Construction Company, Centerville.

"I definitely see Washington

Township as the hot spot of the U. S. Commercial, Industrial, and Residential developments are teeming with activity. For example, our volume of business this year is double that of 1953," Manuel Lewis, Postmaster, Centerville.

"We are making plans for remodeling in February. We are expanding along with the Township, with a very unique store planned for next year," Walter Chrysler, Mission Maple House, Mission San Jose.

"I feel 1955 will be quite a fine year. Competition will be very stiff, but we will meet it. The Township growth will continue, and we'll see a good year for people here," C. C. Wahlquist, Personnel Director, Wedgewood Division, Rheem Manufacturing Company, Newark.

"The prospects are very good. We're planning on expanding next year," Louis Amaral, L. and V. Trucking, Niles.

"I think 1955 should be a prosperous year for all businessmen who carry out a policy of fair play for others. The biggest improvement would be Township-wide incorporation," Bernie Vail, Township Cab, Centerville.

"We are very optimistic about 1955. This area is going to expand, even if it's not a boom. Many people are looking at the Township as a place to invest, to move or build here," Larue Sorenson, Sorenson and Ellsworth Architects, Niles.

"From the look of things at present, 1955 should be a banner year for home building. More homes mean more people, and more business for everyone!" Andrew Drazich, Masonry Contractor, Centerville.

Year In Review

EVENTS MOVED FAST IN OUR TOWNSHIP DURING 1954

Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-Four was an eventful 12 months for Washington Township, not so much for what happened during the year, but for what 1954 promised for the years ahead.

How well do you remember the events of the past 364 days? Here are some milestones, taken from the NEWS-REGISTER Files:

JANUARY—A \$951,000 bid was let on the big Washington Hi annex, and work started at once. Tony Mezza, tavern owner, died in Niles; Roy DeBolt was named SP agent there. Newark's chamber of commerce named Art Cotton president. Niles picked Howard Mitchell; and Centerville, Bill Short. Decoto voted another \$230,000 in school bonds. Flood District Zone 5 was formed by the Supervisors for Newark, Centerville, Niles and Decoto after Livermore and Pleasanton withdrew. Model-home burglars hit Glenmoor Gardens. Snow fell on Mission Peak. The Niles Fire Commission ignored objections by Jack Parry to hire three firemen. The American Pipe and Construction Co. finished a \$1,000,000 plant on Alquire Road. Kidnapping of a 16-year-old Niles school girl brought

arrest and prison to Ralph J. Maria, 22.

FEBRUARY—The California Nursery announced its sale of land at Niles to a Hawaiian concern for a \$2,500,000 subdivision. A fire in Hillview Crest was fatal to Baby Diane Duthie. Another fire closed the Pacific States Steel mill for 10 days. Washington Hi's lightweight eagles closed an unbeaten season by sweeping into the SCVAL championship.

MARCH—Washington Township's chamber of commerce eked a new membership set-up, hoped it would bring broad participation. Death came to Mrs. August May, 83, of pioneer Decoto family; and to Henry C. McMahan, the Township Register's master printer. Also to Bill Maloney of Irvington, unconscious since a car crash the previous September. Centerville started zoning hear-

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LIONS HAVE FUN—Showing glee reflected from some of the 700 youngsters who attended Centerville Lions free pre-Christmas show at Center Theatre last week are (left to right) Committeemen Val Tuchsien and Kenneth Crump, handing out candy. Other workers included Bill Mette, Tom Maloney, Dwight Thornburg, Art Belshaw, Joe Shepherd, Vernon Brown, Jack Allen and Russ Osborne. (NEWS-REGISTER Photo)

Ban on Drain Wells Perils Growth Here



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Public Asked To Appear At Niles School Probe

Groups or individuals with testimony bearing on the Niles School District will be welcome to present their views before a panel of the California Teachers Association.

This word came today from Hugh Page, executive of the CTA. Page said a panel will conduct the study of the district January 6, 7 and 8 in the Niles Congregational Church. The public will be invited to express individual or group views on January 7 between 1:30 and 5 p.m.

"Names and information will be kept in strict confidence," Page stressed.

The investigation was requested jointly by Niles school trustees and Supt. E. Dixon Bristow after a group of Niles parents had criticized (1) Bristow's administration, (2) the reading program, and (3) alleged disciplinary laxness.

The CTA panel will be composed of Frank Lucas, school superintendent in San Rafael; Thomas Turner, superintendent in Pacific Grove; Miss Botilda Hansen, supervisor in Santa Clara County schools; and Dr. Paul Vigness, Alameda High School.

Plan Group Meets Next Monday

The public is invited to attend the next meeting of a "grassroots" citizen group on planning Washington Township's future.

The meeting will be held next Monday at 8 p.m. in the County Building.

Mrs. Roland Bendel is temporary chairman of the study group, which was formed at the urging of Planning Commissioner Florence Buehler.

Mrs. Bendel stressed that participation in the committee's studies is open to every interested person in the Township.

Next Monday's meeting will feature a talk by County Planning Director John Thomas, speaking on planning. It will be the first study meeting of the group, which was formed two weeks ago with the aim of producing a "master plan" for this area.

Fatal Jet Crash Seen

With a mid-air flash seen by dozens of Washington Township residents, two Navy Pantherjets collided south of Warm Springs Tuesday morning, killing a pair of pilots from Moffett Field.

The crash occurred about 30,000 feet above the ground. It showered the Alum Rock area with pieces of the two high-speed fighter planes.

In Niles, Harold Korell reported seeing the flash about 9:35 a.m. Several residents said they thought it took place over Mission Peak.

Killed in the unexplained collision were Willard D. Reese, 31, chief air controller; and Robert E. Messer, 37, chief aviation machinists mate.

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK

	HI	LO
Dec. 22	50	32
Dec. 23	47	31
Dec. 24	52	43
Dec. 25	50	30
Dec. 26	50	27
Dec. 27	49	27
Dec. 28	49	33

Temperatures courtesy Roland Bendel, Niles.

Doesn't Believe His Ears, Jailed

Jesse Jones is a hard man to convince, it seems.

Jones, 29, who lives at 341 J. Street, Niles, was seen by deputy sheriffs in an apparently intoxicated condition in Newark over the weekend.

They warned him against trying to drive his car, parked in the downtown district.

But as soon as their backs were turned, the officers said, Jones got in the machine and drove off.

They pursued him and arrested him for drunken driving, the second such arrest in recent months. Jones will appear before Judge E. A. Quaresma January 7.

Ministers Back Ban On Gambling

Strong endorsement of the Supervisors' ban on commercial gambling in the rural areas was voted last week by the Ministerial Association of Washington Township.

The ministers said they will ask that all churches appeal to members to write the Supervisors backing the ban.

Sheriff H. P. Gleason and Dist. Atty. Frank Coakley said this week they will oppose the effort of a group of Township card room proprietors to have the law against commercial draw-poker eased for the local card rooms.

The operators reportedly have retained a lawyer to fight the ban. They argue that they have never run "gyp joints" as charged in some localities. But Gleason countered:

"We've had complaints from the Township too, especially from Alvarado."

WIFE BEATING CHARGED

Louis Fonseca, 42, of 575 Mulberry St., Newark, was arrested over the weekend and charged with the brutal beating of his wife during a domestic quarrel. Fonseca will appear January 4 before Judge E. A. Quaresma.

SPECIAL SUPPORT URGED

Dimes March Begins In Township Monday

Freeing patients from iron lungs, releasing them from total reliance on braces and crutches—plus the possible development and application of an effective polio vaccine — are objectives of the 1955 March of Dimes to start next Monday in this community and throughout the nation.

Termining the 1955 March of Dimes the "biggest job" in the history of the fight against the crippling disease, J. V. Gould and E. D. Bristow, co-chairmen for Washington Township, reported the March of Dimes' traditional contribution containers will arrive at homes throughout the county on Monday.

Gould and Bristow urged generous support of the appeal and prompt return of the

money containers. They reported the Alameda County Chapter, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, has aided more than 1200 polio patients during the last three years at a cost of \$456,278.30 — all of which was provided by March of Dimes contributors in previous annual polio appeals.

"At the present time," they said, "the local chapter treasury, despite a recent \$20,000 emergency grant from national headquarters to meet outstanding bills, is reduced to \$6,000 and must be totally replenished to continue the local patient care program. Local chapter expenditures to 'mend lives' are made for orthopedic appliances, hospital care, home nursing, hospital beds, physicians fees, physiotherapy, speech therapy

and ambulance services."

The campaign leaders stressed all funds raised in the March of Dimes now are applied to the fight against polio in this manner: one half is retained by the Alameda County Chapter for local patient care, with the second half split between national programs of research and professional education and the costly trials and evaluation of the Salk polio vaccine.

"An evaluation of last summer's polio vaccine field trials will be finished this spring," Gould and Bristow pointed out. "Then we will know whether future generations are to be spared the scourge of polio. But even if the report is encouraging, we must continue to help patients for whom the vaccine will be too late."

TWIN ELECTIONS JANUARY 25

6 File For Glenmoor Jobs, 4 For Rec' District

Merchants Offer Second Drawing To Cool Rage of Stove Ticket-Holders

The Centerville Merchants Association today offered to give away a second stove to cool off indignant ticket-holders who missed a chance at one in the merchant show December 18.

Gordon Morris, president of the association, released a statement issued by his directors following a special meeting Monday night. Says the statement:

"1. The following action has been approved by the Christmas Party Committee of the Centerville Merchants Assn. as a means of offering their apology for the early drawing.

"2. Numbers of the first six tickets drawn will be posted for two days starting Friday January 7 at 10 a.m. until Saturday January 8 at 4 p.m. at Gordon's Drapery Shop, located next to the new parking lot.

"3. Numbers will not be listed in order drawn.

"4. If more than one corresponding number is produced, (by a ticket-holder) a drawing of the numbers produced will be held to determine the final winner. Drawing or award to be held at 4:01 p.m.

"5. Prize will be a choice of any one of the three original Wedgewood items."

Several ticket-holders were angered when Morris held the original drawing earlier than announced, in order to accommodate a large crowd at the party. The raffle fans claimed they had been deprived of a chance at the stove.

A Centerville woman won the stove on the seventh ticket drawn.

THE YEAR IN PICTURES!

See pages 5 and 14 for the news photos of 1954... The Township year in review

Pollution Said Threat By District

Decision of the Alameda County Water District to ban digging of makeshift wells to drain storm waters may stymie industrial and residential growth of Central Washington township.

This became apparent last Wednesday at a meeting of district directors.

After the failure of the Zone 5 flood and drainage bond election on December 7, the board announced its opposition to any more of the temporary wells, warning they will pollute underground water supplies.

Without the wells, many tracts and factories cannot drain off storm waters, and thus no more can be built until permanent drainage is obtained, subdivider representatives said Wednesday.

Directors W. D. Patterson and Jack Prouty pointed out however that there are already 44 "wells" in the Central Township area, and that permitting more to be sunk is inviting action from state health authorities against the entire public water supply.

James R. Meyer, president of Glenmoor Homes, said if no more drainage wells can be built in his higher-priced tract, "we'll be shut down by April and 100 men will be out of work." Meyer already has built 300 homes and uses drainage wells as a temporary expedient.

W. E. Dutra, engineer representing the Smith-Peters Corp., said his clients are halted from building another 120 homes between Centerville and Newark. Dutra reported the Alameda County surveyors office refused to grant permits in the face of the water district's opposition.

And Raymond Layton, designer of a \$1,500,000 corrugated box factory for which ground already is being cleared on Birch Road, said the decision is a "severe shock" to the plans of American Forest Products Corp., which is putting up the plant. He said it eventually will employ 300 local persons, but that meantime it needs three drainage wells.

Dist. Chairman E. M. Grimmer said no decision would be rendered at the meeting. Then Prouty called for an emergency conference of (1) county officials, (2) builders, (3) homeowners, and (4) district directors, to decide "where we go from here."

Consensus of directors seemed to be that firms with plans already filed might be allowed to sink additional wells, but that the meeting would be used to get pledges of support for another try at drainage bonds.

Prouty told Dutra and John Peters it was ironic that Zone 5 was defeated largely due to the opposition of voters in their Newark tracts. The Newark Homeowners Association, composed principally of residents of Smith-Peters' Los Ranchitos, had refused to endorse the bonds, which then lost in Newark.

Dutra pleaded that his clients had "acted in good faith" to plan the new tract, since other drainage wells had been permitted. He said Smith-Peters' Continued on Page 7

Safeway Cuts Out The 'Comics'

Safeway Stores, Inc., has decided to halt the sale of comic books and "pocket books of all types" effective January 1, to prevent sales of questionable literature to children.

The chain grocery firm said the decision was made after an extensive study showed that "Safeway was being placed in a position of offering questionable literature to young customers through its inability to screen thoroughly all such books."

WHOOPIING COUGH HERE

Five cases of whooping cough, and two of chickenpox were reported from Washington Township last week



ALVARADO NEWS

By PATRICIA NOIA

I'd like to wish each and everyone a Happy New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vierra have announced the engagement of their daughter Pauline Eve to Ernie Delgado, son of Mr. and Mrs. Costa Delgado of Decoto. Both Pauline and Ernie are graduates of Washington High. Pauline is employed at Montgomery Ward in Oakland; Ernie works at Freeman's Market in Mission San Jose. A wedding date has not been set.

Last Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Garde o, Lynette, Nancy and Rosanne visited Mrs. G. Columbo in Sar Mateo.

The Gardetto's spent a very enjoyable Christmas Eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walt Fasolis, Walt Jr. and Steven in Centerville. Also there were Mr. and Mrs. Mike Gardetto and Arnie. Later the Andy Gardetto's visited Mr. and Mrs. John Soto of Decoto, where many members of the family were gathered.

On Christmas Day Mr. and Mrs. Mike Gardetto had the Walt Fasolis' and the Andy Gardetto's for dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Borges and Mrs. Mary Raphael spent the Christmas holidays visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Silva and Mrs. Alfred Soares of Oakland. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Borges of San Leandro spent Christmas Day with the Frank Silva's and Tony Borges.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Silveira spent a very nice Christmas Eve at their home with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Silva, Janette and Sharlene. On Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hernandez, Norman and Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ramm and Hughie, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Silveira, Norman and Debbie and the Silva's all had Christmas dinner with the Silveira's.

Helen and Joe Gularite had as their Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Shestack, Randy and Doug, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Perry, Vernon and Diane,

Mrs. Machado, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pimentel and family, Mrs. Mary Faria and Mrs. Anna Rodrigues.

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Howlette, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Howlette, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Linbigh and their families and Mrs. Howlette spent Christmas Eve with Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Rose, Danny, Dickie, Stanley, Dale and Marvin.

Carol and Ernie Andrade, Linda and Sharon Perry enjoyed Christmas Eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Andrade. On Christmas Day, Carol served dinner to the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Bud Rissman and Terry, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Perry and Jackie, Frank Mendonca, Herman Perry, Melvin and Armen Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Perry and Jack Duarte.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Andrade had as guests for Christmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Flower, Johnny Jr. and Steven, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kline and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flower and children.

Guests for Christmas Eve and Day at the home of the Gasper Pine's were: Mr. and Mrs. Gene Pine, Mr. and Mrs. Serafin Noia, Pat and Carol. Joining the Pine's and Noia's for Christmas Day was Mrs. Helen Roderick.

Mrs. Martha Stone and Gary and Mrs. Olsen spent Christmas Eve with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rakekin and Beverly. On Christmas Day the Rakekin's had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Marsh Downard and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Flores and daughter spent Christmas Eve with the Manuel Azevedo family. Also there were Mrs. Anna Amaral and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roderick. On Christmas Day they all had dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Miguel. Mrs. Clara Mendonca was also a guest.

Entertaining his employees and their wives or guests at Bimbo's 365 Club on Saturday, December 18, was Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Fleury. Those attending were Carol and Ernie Andrade, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Goularte, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Aguiar, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Costa, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Souza, Tony Avila and Myrtle Hernandez.

The S.P.R.S.I. Council 21 will have its annual dinner and revealing of pals on January 19, at the Villa Jeray. Reservations should be made no later than January 17 with either Helen Perry, Anna Hendricks or Helen Gularite.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION

Land: S1/4, sec. 34, T. 4S, R. 3E, Lot 3 Sec. 2, T. 5S, R. 3E, M.D.M. Calif. 374-1. Acres. At 10:00 a.m. on Jan. 27, 1955 at the U.S. Land Office, Room 352, P.O. Bldg., 9th and "I" Sts., Sacramento, Calif. 183—Dec. 30 Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27.

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WINNER—Mrs. W. A. Clark (right) receives first-place award for Christmas home decorations in Glenmoor Gardens, from Miss Vera Lee, representing the Glenmoor Homeowners Association. At right are some of the decorations at Mrs. Clark's house, 358 Norris Dr. (Foster Photo)

Bank Chief Sees Prosperity In '55

S. Clark Beise, president of the Bank of America stated today: "A statewide survey just completed in over 300 California communities by the bank's managers who interviewed businessmen, industrialists and farmers, indicates an almost unanimous belief that the economic level of 1955 will exceed that of 1954 in California. In general it is thought that the construction outlook is bright, particularly for the residential sector which makes up such a large part of the total construction outlays in California."

Beise also stated that farm income is expected to continue approximately at the same level

as 1954. A slight decrease in cash income from crops may be offset by an increase in returns from livestock operations.

While some businessmen have expressed reservations regarding the last two quarters of the coming year, overall the survey reflects the confidence and optimism of California businessmen.

Barnes Leads Newark 4-H

Kenneth Barnes, seventh grade teacher at Newark Grammar School, was chosen to be the new advisor and community leader for the 4-H Club of Newark. He replaces Lon Rode-lander, who has moved out of town.

4-H members meet the second Thursday of every month at the Community Center Bldg. on Sycamore Street, at 7:30 p.m. Next meeting to be January 13.

Jill Kettman, president of the club, invites any interested child and parent to attend this meeting.

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Mrs. W. A. Clark Wins Glenmoor Light Contest

"My phone will be busy now," said Mrs. Walter A. Clark of 358 Norris Road when she was presented the \$50 prize for first place in the Glenmoor Outdoor Lighting Contest last Monday night.

Mrs. Clark's winning entry showed huge colored lollipops which lined a pathway to her gaily-decorated door. Snowmen children played on the lawn near a decorated Christmas tree.

Second-place winner for a prize of \$25 was Mrs. Olga Enos of 443 Rogers. Her porch was decorated to represent a visit from Santa. A miniature Santa was climbing out of the pint-size chimney after leaving behind Christmas toys and a balloon-decorated tree. A toy dog and cat dozed before the fire.

Third winners for a prize of \$10 were the Carl P. Martineaus of 432 Norris. At their home a Nativity scene dominated a picture window outlined with white lights against a background of star-studded blue sky.

Judges for the contest were Don Branson, Mrs. Barbara Chapin, and Judge E. A. Quaresma. Mrs. Vera Lee represented the Homeowners Association, sponsors of the contest.

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GLENMOOR GARDEN NEWS

By Sarah Jane Phillips
Centerville 82443

Every street in Glenmoor was lit with Christmas cheer. The lights were outside. Warmth and friendliness on the inside matched the glow.

The Robert Cornett home on Whitfield had the biggest glow of all. Christmas night thirty guests, family all, gathered to enjoy a real old-fashioned Yuletide. Mrs. Cornett's parents, Mr. and H. O. Clarine traveled from Orland, California to be with their family. They are here for an extended stay. Other out-of-town guests were Mrs. Clarine's brother and his family who are visiting in the Bay Area from Nebraska.

The Vernon Mattsons traveled farthest for their Christmas. They spent their holiday in the snow country of Minnesota.

The Charles Penners of Rogers Avenue entertained fourteen guests to turkey Christmas dinner. Their guests were family from the Bay Area.

Mrs. Willis Huth's father, mother, and brother arrived on the twenty-third from their home in Portland, Oregon. Their stay will last through New Year's.

The Hennings of Rogers Avenue are in the market for a bigger home, that is, if their immediate family gets any bigger. Fifteen guests graced their home, Fred's family, children, and grandchildren.

Christmas Eve was made more festive at the Harry Casey home on Glendale Drive because the Caseys had old friends to dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schlager, new residents in the Township.

Tony and Olga Enos and Mrs. Jacob of Rogers Avenue put out the best silver on Christmas Day. Their guests included Elvira and Maurice Enos, Glenmoor, Olga's brother from Castro Valley, Bill Jacob, and his family, Mr. Antonio Peixotto, Centerville, and Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Greenough of Oakland. The whole company retired to the Maurice Enos home afterward for a visit with the rocking Santa.

Early partying at the Odus Doss home on Mattos Drive heralded the coming holiday. Fifteen guests, all from Hayward, were entertained to supper on the twenty-second.

Open house at the Charles Dubuque home on Whitfield Sunday night attracted friends from all over the Bay Area. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. John Nelson of Centerville, Mr. and Mrs. Barenght and their girls from Newark, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nicholson from Niles, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Marks, Hayward, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Campbell, Centerville, and Mr. and Mrs. William Baker, formerly of Centerville and now of Hunter's Point.

Sixteen guests attended a cocktail party at the Walter Cleary home on Norris Road on the twentieth of December. They were the Meadows' the Martineaus, the Feltners, the Klassens, the Beumers, the Gillets and the Weeds, all of Norris Road, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Kenneth Curley, formerly of Norris Road.

The Christmas season for Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harm of Norris Road was marred by an automobile accident involving Mrs. Harm's brother, E. T. MacDonald, on the night of the eighteenth. MacDonald was

seriously injured and is still in the Hayward Hospital but his condition is improving and he is believed to be on the way to recovery. Mrs. Harm's sister and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Leeland Price and their daughter Judy, spent the holiday at the Harm home.

The Dale Dorris of Elliot Street should have a house as neat as a pin. They went to Mary's mother's in Oakland for Christmas Eve and spent Christmas at her aunt's home in Piedmont.

Long-weekend guests at the Joe Selag home on Sterling Drive were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hoffman, Helen Selag's parents. They came for the holiday from Taft, California.

For years now the Pierces of Whitfield Avenue have welcomed the New Years in with Earl's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Herbert of Placerville. This year the Herberts will spend New Year's Eve in Glenmoor. Other guests for the occasion will be Ernest Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Werner Weisner of El Cerrito, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fowell of Berkeley.

The Lester Brandt's of Whitfield will greet the New Year with a gala affair at their home. Mr. and Mrs. Willis Huth of Glenmoor and ten other guests from San Francisco and Oakland will help them celebrate.

Frank Bouzout of Whitfield is going to get away from it all. He's going duck hunting next weekend.

Angel voices floating through the air the sixteenth were coming from carolers honoring Joyce Burrous of Mattos Drive. Her former Campfire Group, from San Leandro O'D'Kom'Ya seranaded their lost comrade. The singers were the following: Nancy Beaver, Gale Gisert, Gale Xenor, Colette Shumway, Georganne Sestito, and Virginia Choman. They were led by Mrs. Dave Beaver.

Betty's Dull's two weeks in Los Angeles visiting her mother were not spent in idle chatter. While in the city Betty attended a two-week training course required of all women who become official hostesses for the Welcome Wagon. She began her new duties this past week with an introduction to Wagon sponsors. Her work with Kay Korrell will be to meet the hosts of newcomers to the Township.

Next Monday is Eddie Dorn's birthday. He will pass his fifth milestone and start his sixth for fifty-five.

Judy Zarrick celebrated her thirteenth birthday on the twenty-third.

Glenmoor Court children drew names and exchanged gifts in the holiday spirit.

A preliminary survey made by Glen Camper, Recreation Director, shows that there are a total of 284 children in Glenmoor, 170 boys, and 114 girls. Most children, 110, are between the ages of one and five. The next largest group is six to thirteen year-olds. There are 104 of these.

Closer supervision of the smaller children playing at the playground has been promised by the Recreation staff. In order to accomplish this the call has gone out for a woman to spend two hours 2:30 - 4:30 at the park weekdays, half-day on Saturday. The pay is \$150 an hour. This is an opportunity for someone with small children

who wants to get out of the house for a while each day. Call Glen Camper, Centerville 8-2767.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gibbons, Mike, Larry, and Patty, of Sterling Drive, drove to Los Angeles and spent the long holiday weekend with Bert's folks, Mr. and Mrs. Bertrand C. Gibbons, Sr.

Friday, January seventh is the first night of the new Beginner's Class in American Folk Dancing, sponsored by the Township Twirlers. All you hicks are invited to be at the Centerville Elementary School at eight o'clock and take part in the fun. Dorothy and Ronald Griffith of Norris Road are the chief hicksters. Ten to twelve weeks are required to turn a self-respecting sedate citizen into a hip-swinging hootin' and hollerin' high-stepper of the first class.

The Otto P. Tauschecks of Mattos carried off the record-player at the last U-Save drawing.

Mrs. Mary Amaral Dies At 77

Mrs. Mary M. Amaral, 77, died at the Mission Road Sanatorium on December 25.

She is survived by four children, Joseph, Manuel Amaral and Mrs. Susie Davis and Mrs. Edith Pfau, all of Alvarado. There are 16 grandchildren.

Mrs. Amaral was a member of S.P.P.S.I., Council 21, of Alvarado; U.P.P.E.C., Council 131, of Alvarado; and the Betsy Ross Parlor of the Native Daughters, Centerville, Eagles Auxiliary.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday from the Chapel of the Palms in Centerville. Requiem mass was at St. Anne's Church in Alvarado, with interment at Holy Ghost Cemetery.

Alvarado Farm Group Has Party

The Alvarado Farm Home Department held their annual Christmas party at the Parish Hall in Centerville last week.

Thirty-four members enjoyed a turkey dinner. Christmas gifts were exchanged and the afternoon was spent playing whist.

Tentative plans were made for the "secret pal" dinner to be held in February. Committee in charge includes: Mrs. Matilda Enos, chairman, Mamie Perry, Palmira Mosegaard, and Anna Rose, co-workers.

Next meeting will be held at the Parish Hall January 27.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
No. 129511
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the undersigned Executrix of the Last Will of EBEN BRINK, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against said decedent, to, within SIX MONTHS after the first publication of this notice, either file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda, or present them, with the necessary vouchers, to me, at the law office of QUARESMA and RHODES, County Building Center, Centerville, California, which place the undersigned selects as the place of business in all matters connected with said estate.
Dated: December 27, 1954.
MAUDE BRINK
Executrix of the Last Will of the above named Decedent.

QUARESMA and RHODES
Attorneys for said Executrix
County Building Center
Centerville, California
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News of Township Churches

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
Niles Congregation
Meets 748 1st St., Niles
Service meeting, Friday night
at 7:30. Ministry School.
Public Bible Lecture — Sun-
day at 7 p.m. Watchtower
Study Sunday at 8:15 p.m.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Irvington
Sunday services: Sunday
School, 10 a.m.; Morning Wor-
ship, 11 a.m.

FIRST SOUTHERN BAPTIST
CHURCH OF CENTERVILLE
293 Coronado Drive
Floyd H. Willis, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Devotional period, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, Choir practice, 7
p.m.

IRVINGTON COMMUNITY
Rev. Leslie G. Mayo
Sunday School—10:00 a. m.
Morning Service, Christian
worship—11:15 a.m.
7:30 p.m., High School West-
minster Fellowship.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Centerville
Tom Fuhr, Minister
Sunday services 9:30 and
11:00 a.m. Sunday school 9:30
and 11:00. Youth fellowships
Sunday 6:30 p.m.
Rev. Wayne Shontz of San
Anselmo will preach January 2
at both services. Session meet-
ing postponed to January 10,
8:00 p.m. at the church.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
Thornton at Olive, Newark
Martin Lee Tunner, Pastor
9:45 a.m., Church School.
11:00 a.m., Worship Service.
6:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Newark
Thornton and Elm
Sunday School—9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship—11 a.m.
Training Union—6:15 p.m.
Evening Worship—7:30 p.m.

ST. TIMOTHY LUTHERAN
27794 Niles Road,
Early Service 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
with Bible Class for adults
Regular Service 11:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Centerville
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning worship, 11 a.m.
Sunday evening evangelistic
services, 7:30 p.m.
Young People's service, Thurs-
day, 7:30 p.m.

Rev. Andrew Rahner, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.
Sunday morning worship, 11.
"Revival time" broadcast:
5:30 p. m. K G O
Junior Choir: 6:30 p. m.
Prayer Time: 7:00 p. m.
Evangelistic Service: 7:30
p. m.
Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Mid-
week Service
Thursday, 10:30 a. m. Wo-
men's Missionary Council
Friday, 7:30 p. m. Christ's
Ambassadors youth meeting.

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL
Centerville
Sunday Services: 9:45 a.m.,
Church School, 11:00 a.m., Holy
Communion and Sermon.
A nursery is provided dur-

ing this service and a "coffee
hour" follows.
Thurs., Jan. 6, The Epiphany.
10:29 a.m., Holy Communion.
7:30 p.m., Choir practice, 8:00
p.m., Men's Club.
Fri., Jan. 7, 7:30 p.m. Chil-
dren's Candlelighting and Epip-
hany offering service. No sup-
per club meeting this month.

NILES CONGREGATIONAL
CHURCH
3rd and H Sts.
Rev. C. W. Kirkpatrick, minister.
Worship services at 10 and 11
a.m.
Sunday School and Nursery at
10 a.m.
Communion service at both
10 and 11. Meditation: "Look-
ing forward — and backward".
7:15 p.m. Vesper Candlelight
service.
Wed., 12:15 Bible Study class.
Thurs., 7:30 p.m. Choir prac-
tice.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Newark
Bert Wilson, Minister
Bible class Sunday at 10 a.m.
Worship, Sunday at 10:50 a.m.
Evening worship, Sunday, 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
Niles
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Rev.
Crawford will speak at 11 a.m.
and 8 p.m. Young People, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Old-
fashioned prayer meeting.

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Sun., 9:30 a.m.—Adult Instruction
Class.
Sun., 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School
and Bible Class.
Sun., 11:00 a.m.—Church Service
with Sermon.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Irvington
Sunday school, 10:00 a.m.
Church 11:00 a.m.
Evening services 7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Niles
Noel P. Glover, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Youth Work 6:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
Mid-week Prayer and
Bible Study, Wed. 7:30 p.m.

The subject of the pastor Rev.
Noel Glover for next Sunday
will be, "The Power Of A Spirit
Filled Life".
Our Annual New Year's Eve
Watch Night Service will be
held at the church on Friday
evening beginning at 8:00 p.m.
A buffet supper, Film, and
Candlelight Communion service
will make up the program.
Everyone invited.

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Services, The Lord's Day, morn-
ing, 9:45; evening, 7:30.
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Niles & Otherwise

By MARIE BENICASA
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Helm, of
Compton, parents of Mrs. Wilma
Owen, of Centerville, are week-
end guests at the Owen resi-
dent.

Private Alfred D. Lyon, of
Third Street, son of Mr. and
Mrs. Claude Lyon, is on a four-
teen-day leave from Fort Mon-
mouth. Al's wife, Thelma, is em-
ployed at our First Western
Bank, of Niles.

Dr. Kenneth S. Lee and May-
belle, of Fremont Avenue, were
blessed with a six-pound, thir-
teen-ounce baby boy, Richard
Kenneth, born December 16 at
Merritt Hospital. This is their
first child.

Manuel Pereira, of Niles, is
home from the hospital.

Mrs. Shirley Casperson, of
Wisconsin, sister of William
Stoppel, of Centerville, is visit-
ing and may stay permanently in
this area.

Cardie Owen, of Centerville,
is grieving over the loss of her
pet Siamese cat, "Clisco", who
had an infected foot. Her other
pet, "Nancy", as to date may
pull through.

Teresa Orozco Flores, of De-
coto, received her naturaliza-
tion papers.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Owen,
are new residents of 400 Por-
tola Drive, Centerville. They
came from Los Angeles. John is
employed at the Western Sky
Company in Hayward; they have
two daughters, Cardie, 8; Addie,
6; and one son, Jimmy, 4. The
children's grandmother, Mrs. Ad-
die Burson, is also living with
them.

Mrs. Carol McGowan, of 1250
Wells Avenue, Newark, enter-
tained her sister, Mrs. Jack Mc-
Ginnis, of Sacramento.

Mrs. Jennie Autrey, of Hot
Springs, Arkansas, sister of Mrs.
Addie Burson, Centerville, passed
away December 6 from an in-
jury due to a fall.

Harold Rudisill, USN, Machin-
ists Mate First Class, arrived
aboard the USS Hornet. Mrs.
Rudisill is the former Nadeane
Lyon, of Niles.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard J. Briar,
of 149 Stevens Street, Center-
ville, son of Mr. and Mrs. John
J. Briar of Warm Springs, will
celebrate their third wedding
anniversary on January 6.

Maurice and Elvira Enos
spent the holiday at the new
home of his brother, Tony Enos,
of Centerville.

Pete Nunes, of Centerville, will
have been employed at the West-

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Evening Worship, 7:30 p.m.
Midweek Bible Study, Wednes-
day, 7:30 p.m.
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News From Ellsworth Orchard

By MARIE BENICASA
Niles 4475
Mr. and Mrs. Ned Smiley, Jr.,
of 354 Orchard Drive, are enter-
taining their guests, Mr. and
Mrs. Edgar Bylund, of Clear
Lake Highland; Mr. and Mrs.
David Bylund and son, Bud, from
Colorado Springs; Mr. and Mrs.
Fred Bylund, of Niles; Mr. and
Mrs. John Bylund, of Hayward;
Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Tomorog,
of Castro Valley; and their chil-
dren, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bylund,
of Clear Lake.

Mitchell Moughon, of 280
Jones Way, enjoyed a dinner
birthday party at Phillip Fore-
ston, of Second Street. His sis-
ter, Lynda Rae, participated in a
skit at the Congregational
Church.

Susie Smith, of 271 Goodrich
Way, celebrated her third birth-
day on December 21. Party
guests were: Norman, Gerry and
Patty Wanlin, Linda Cazier,
Mollie Nicklasson and Marion
Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Smith, of
411 Goodrich Way, and son,
Kevin, went to Berkeley, to her
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl
Flynn. Dean is manager of the
San Francisco Sun Advertising
Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon (Emily)
Whalen, of 360 Goodrich Way,
have for the holidays Emily's
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emil
Lampella, from Eureka. The
earthquake cracked their chim-
ney and walls up there. Vernon
teaches the eighth grade at
Bohannon School, in San Lor-

enzo. Emily teaches the Home-
making Class at Edendale
School.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth D.
Steadman, of 357 Goodrich Way,
will have his mother, Mrs. Roy
Steadman, of Midvale, Utah, for
the holiday. Kenneth is employed
at Pacific States Steel.

Raymond L. Moughon, of 280
Jones Way, last Friday night
was elected president of the
Hayward Golf Club at a meet-
ing held at U.F.D. Hall, Hay-
ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Merrill, of
300 Jones Way, and their chil-
dren, Diana, Paul and Kathleen,
celebrated their annual family
reunion at the home of Paul's
sister, (formerly of Decoto),
Mrs. Clifford Johnson, of Atherton.

Richard Smith, foster son of
Mr. and Mrs. William Miller, of
270 Goodrich Way, had a party
on his eleventh birthday, De-
cember 13.

Charlotte Ann and Diana
Lynn, daughters of Mr. and Mrs.
Henry M. Silva, of 295 Goodrich
Way, are going to Los Banos for
the week-end to visit their
grandmother, Mrs. Lucy Fialho.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Quarta-
roli, of 143 Anita Court, had all
her sisters visiting for the hol-
iday: Mrs. Pauline Melvor, of
Centerville; Kido Machado, of
Niles; Wilma Stanbough and her
mother Mrs. Jacoba Nickas, of
San Jose; and his family, Mrs.
Nicola Quartaroli, Mr. and Mrs.
Geno Quartaroli, and their
Merenio Quartaroli, and their

family, all of Niles. They also
celebrated Harry's birthday (De-
cember 19) and their fifteenth
wedding anniversary.

Michele and Jodi Steadman, of
357 Goodrich Way, are convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gamba, of
225 Goodrich Way, entertained
Albert's family, his mother,
Mary Gamba and a family
friend, James Morritz, from
Jackson; Frank and Helen Gam-
ba, and their three children,
from Berkeley; and daughter
Ray and Carol Caminada, from
Centerville; and their son, Jef-
frey; other family relatives vis-
ited throughout the day.

Glenn Kerns, of 295 Goodrich
Way, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Kerns
and their children, Patty and
Larry, of Newark; went to Rial-
to and visited Mr. and Mrs.
Ernest Matthews and son Ron-
nie.

Several children in Ellsworth
Orchard participated in a
Christmas play for their par-
ents with the help of Santa
Claus, for the Mormon Church.
The play was held at the Coun-
try Club on December 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stead-
man of 357 Goodrich Way en-
tertained twenty-four guests (all
from the Township) then went
singing carols, and visited all
the older people, who were un-
able to participate in the carav-

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Square. Daughter, Jo Ellen is third grade student at St.

square. Daughter, Jo Ellen is a third grade student at St. Mary's of the Palms. The Boehlers moved here from Oakland.

Mrs. Maniz of Pleasanton, Mr. and Mrs. Merino Rubio of Hayward, Mr. John Foster and Ida Mall of San Jose were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Furtado and Jerry.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Leal of Sacramento spent the holidays visiting Mr. J. F. Leal, Sr. and other relatives.

Mrs. Myrtle Lowder had her family down from Sacramento for Christmas-Mr. and Mrs. W. Woolridge and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Slaymaker of Alameda were visitors Sunday of Mrs. Marguerite McKibbin and Billy.

Mrs. Emma R. Davis of Lincoln St. will spend New York with her family, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Trammell, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Norris of Santa Monica, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morrow, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Smith and daughter, Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Krantz, of San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. Cuddy Dudney and family and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Phelps and family of Mission San Jose. Only member absent will be a grandson who is in the service in the Orient.

Our sympathy to Henry Rego who has received word of the death of his mother recently in the Azores. Henry saw her two years ago.

Rita Furtado, the Mrs. Leaches and the Ivan Brummetts are not locking forward to New Year. Inventory comes first. So plans ?????

LEGAL NOTICE

westerly, westerly, northwesterly, northeasterly, northwesterly, and northeasterly along said boundary line of Irvington Sanitary District to an intersection thereof with the aforesaid southwesterly line of the State Highway from Centerville to Irvington; thence leaving said district boundary line northwesterly along said southwesterly line of said State Highway to the point of beginning.

II.

That the undersigned petitioners are the owners of real property in the territory proposed to be annexed; that the real property owned by your petitioners represents at least 75% of the total assessed valuation of the territory proposed to be annexed as shown by the last equalized assessment roll of Alameda County, California; that said territory above described is wholly in Alameda County, California and is not in any other sanitary district and is contiguous to said Irvington Sanitary District.

III.

That the total assessed valuation of the territory above described as shown by the last equalized assessment roll of said Alameda County is the sum of \$281,750.

IV.

That the amount of real property owned by your petitioner and its assessed valuation as shown by the last equalized assessment roll of said Alameda County is set forth after this signature of your petitioners.

V.

That the boundaries of the territory proposed to be annexed have been approved by the Alameda County Boundary Commission in its Report and Recommendation in its Report and Recommendation No. 247 dated August 10, 1954.

VI.

That the petition may be signed in several counterparts and each of such counterparts shall for all purposes be deemed to be an original and all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same petition.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned ask that the necessary steps be taken to annex the territory above described to Irvington Sanitary District pursuant to the provisions of Division VI, Part 1, Chapter 9, Article 3, of the Health and Safety Code of California.

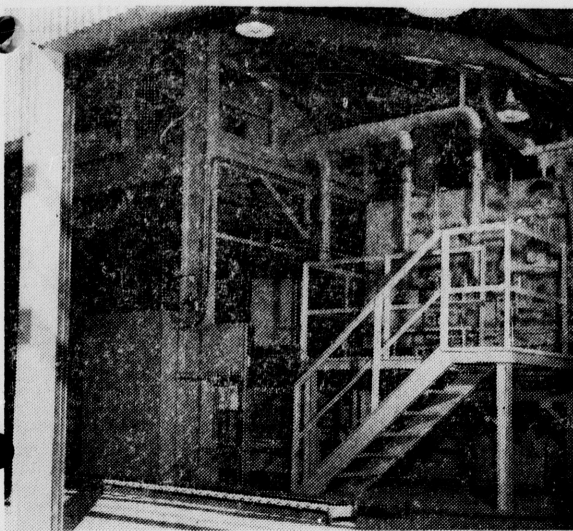
Real Property Acres	Assessed Value
	\$ 3,900.00
	2,850.00
	1,450.00
	975.00
3	1,225.00
16	2,850.00
40	9,625.00
	975.00
12	4,500.00
69	4,225.00
32.6	50,325.00
265	25,150.00
140	18,450.00
140	3,450.00
140	6,375.00
48	13,775.00
144	25,500.00
20	2,450.00
38 1/2	8,700.00
	2,200.00
40	9,900.00
1 1/2	250.00
	700.00
	800.00
43	6,000.00
	3,400.00
	8,850.00
	200.00
	125.00

each of them is the genuine signature of the person whose name is subscribed thereto.

JOHN L. STEVENSON

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of December, 1954.

(SEAL)
CLARENCE C. McLEAN
NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the
County of Alameda, State of California



NEW MACHINES—Westvaco Mineral Products Division of Food Machinery & Chemical Corporation announces the completion of a new plant at Newark (interior above) for the production of HEXAPHOS and FOSFODRIL. This new plant is the first of its kind on the West Coast and has a capacity in excess of 12 million pounds. The plant is very versatile and can produce material in various forms, including powdered, granular, flake, and plates. This is the second plant of the Westvaco Mineral Products Division which can produce HEXAPHOS and FOSFODRIL; the original plant is located at Carteret, New Jersey. HEXAPHOS and FOSFODRIL are trade names for Westvaco Brand sodium hexametaphosphate. These products are used in water-treating, detergents, well-drilling and an expanding list of other uses.

CARD OF THANKS
I wish to thank the Centerville Merchants Association and Rheem Wedgewood for the beautiful stove I won at their Christmas Show.
Elva D. Calhoun
Centerville

Christmas Dinner
Gathering at the home of Mrs. Beatrice Miller for dinner on Christmas Day were: Mr. and Mrs. Moe Oliveira of Niles; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ennes and children, Larry and Judy and La Verne Miller.

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Orchard Park News

By DON BROWN

Hi Ya Folks! Hope everyone is fine after the holiday. With the nice weather and everything we all should be looking forward to a happy and prosperous New Year.

Premontion: The following event actually happened Sunday afternoon. During the afternoon Alfred Perry and your reporter were called on the ambulance to an auto wreck just north of Decoto. It so happened that the wreck occurred out of our territory and was attended by a Hayward ambulance company. Alfred's ex-wife and family, including his daughter, Marlene had spent the holiday in San Joaquin Valley and Alfred was somewhat concerned over their trip home in the heavy traffic of the afternoon. During our return to the ambulance office he made this statement, quote, "I hope the folks started home before this traffic became too heavy" unquote. Upon our arrival at the office we were informed by the dispatcher that a

call had come from the Oakland Police Department, regarding an accident in East Oakland. We could not at that time, figure why our company had been informed of an accident so far from us, but figured that the two accidents had become confusing to the authorities and we had been called by mistake.

Some hours later, Alfred was informed that his former wife and family were involved in the East Oakland collision with serious but not major injuries to most of the passengers involved. The strange part of it all is that at almost the exact moment of the crash in Oakland, Alfred was expressing the above wish for their safety. We are informed that the car, Al's, was a total wreck. We are truly thankful that the injuries were not too serious.

XMAS GATHERINGS: Mr. and Mrs. Ibs with daughters Jacqueline and Lynette of Santa Rosa, spent Christmas Day with the L. F. Petersons, 158 Dutra Way. Mr. Ibs is plant foreman of the Carnation Company at

Valley Ford near Santa Rosa. Mrs. Ibs is Mrs. Peterson's sister.

The Gordon Grahams spent the holiday with Gordon's sister in Menlo Park. A number of other guests from surrounding cities made up a large party.

One of the largest post-holiday gatherings took place at the James Grissom home on Dutra Way, Sunday. Guests were all relatives of both Mr. and Mrs. Grissom. They were Bertha Dowdy, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hopkins of Bellflower; Olin Sue and Terry Dowdy of San Leandro; the S. H. Nobles and two daughters, Becky and Lynn, of Livermore; Christine Gallamore, Newark; Gene Gallamore, San Lorenzo; Cecil Gallamore and three children, Newark, and Glen; and Mrs. Grissom with son Ironi Hayward.

Your reporter and TWOM (that wife of mine) spent Saturday with their son and family in Los Gatos.

Mrs. James Grissom, Dutra Way, received the sad news, December 19 of the death of her mother, Mrs. R. M. Dowdy, of Chico. Funeral services were held in Chico Wednesday following. Both Mr. and Mrs. Grissom attended.

AMBULANCE ROLLS: Another banner week for Washington Township motorists. This I am sure will establish a record. Since the last report, the ambulance has been called only twice for highway accidents. At 6:12 p.m., Thursday December 23, a call to Thornton Avenue just west of Orchard Park where two cars met head on. Resulted in minor injuries to two children and their father who was driving. Upon arrival of the ambu-

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Citizenship Class Stated By CSO

The Community Service Organization has registered 56 applicants for citizenship classes, which will start January 3, at the Barnard School in Decoto. They will be on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. The organization will furnish one of its members to help fill out the alien forms for those who need help every Wednesday evening. All those desiring to attend classes are welcome to attend. This is the second year that the C.S.O. has sponsored these classes.

2 Rotary Meetings

The Niles Rotary Club will "lunch away" from its regular meeting place twice during January. The annual luncheon at the Masonic Home at Decoto will be held on January 6. Another annual affair, the luncheon at the Washington Union High School, on January 13.

WIND DAMAGE

High winds over the weekend resulted in the breaking of a plate-glass window in the Mission Barber Shop, Mission San Jose, sheriff's deputies reported Monday.

It was determined that no service was required. A doctor was called and first aid administered at the scene. The other driver was placed under arrest for drunken driving.

Sunday, December 26 at 2:48 p.m., called on the accident north of Decoto. Slight injuries to one passenger and not-too-serious damage to either car. One passenger taken to Fairmont Hospital by a Hayward ambulance company.

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Glenmoore Cagers Bow to Decoto

Decoto cagers in the unlimited Little League classification carried off the laurels in a close game last week at the Glenmoor court.

Final score was Decoto 38, Glenmoor 31. Pace-setter for the winners was Al Barber with ten points. Bob Hird led the losers with seven points.

Decoto
Manuel Avila 6
Pake Avila 0
Willie Galan 6
Richard Guerra 8
Al Barber 10
Ray Orozco 8

Glenmoor

Jim Meyer 6
Don Deisler 2
Phil Lamm 4
Laurel Mayer 4
Gene 4
Bob Hird 7
Frank Richmond 4

Decoto Youth Fete

Washington Township teenagers were a happy group last Tuesday night as they enjoyed the Christmas party at the Decoto Youth Center.

Refreshments and dancing to the music of Chester Caldeira and his band provided a full evening for the group, according to Kathryn Brake, publicity chairman for the club.

Danny Jackson, president of the club, announced a change in meeting nights to Tuesday at 7:30 instead of Thursday. The group meets weekly.

Arlaine Is Seven

Little Arlene Belz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Belz of Mattos Drive celebrated her seventh birthday with a supper party, December 14. The guests were entertained with movies. Those attending were: Madeline Norris, Susan Owen, Pat Wilmet, Judy Burrows, Nancy McGibbon and Arlene's little sister Linda.

Harry Querner Jr. At Italian Village

Purchase of a half-interest in the Italian Village, Niles highway restaurant, was announced today by Harry Querner Jr., of the family which owns the International Kitchen here.

Querner joins Guido Roggi in operation of the restaurant and cocktail lounge, which opened some six months ago. He will devote his entire time to the new enterprise.

Querner has been associated with his father for 17 years, with the exception of two years out for Navy service and four years spent at the family's gift shop in Sacramento.

The Italian Village will cater to merchants lunch trade, to Italian dinners, banquets and club meetings, Querner and Roggi said.

Township Calendar

Dec. 31—S.E.S. New Year's Eve Dance

Jan. 3—Boy Scouts Theta Rho Eagles Aux. & Aerle

Jan. 4—Junior YLI Pocahontas Native Daughters Laura Loma Decoto C of C Newark PTA Women's Club N.S.G.W.

Jan. 5—K of P Native Daughters Betsy Ross

Jan. 6—DeGuadalupe YLI Alvarado PTA

Jan. 6—S.P.R.S.I. Council No. 4 Card Party

Jan. 7—Adult Girl Scouts Silver Star Rebekah

Jan. 10—B.P.W. Eagles Aux. & Aerle Catholic Daughter Job's Daughters

Jan. 11—Newark School Board Women's Improvement Club St. Jude Y.L.I.

Jan. 12—Newark C. of C. Eastern Star

Jan. 12—Irvington Fire Dept. Jan. 13—High School P.T.A. Auxiliary Odd Fellows Newark SPRSI Wash. Twsh. Jr. Women's Club.

Jan. 17—Theta Rho Druid's Circle Eagles Aux. and Aerle

Jan. 18—Junior Y.L.I. Calif. School Employees Assoc. Pocahontas Native Daughters Laura Loma

Jan. 19—K. of P. American Legion Dist. Native Daughters Betsy Ross

Jan. 20—Newark Rec. District DeGuadalupe Y.L.I.

Jan. 21—Silver Star Rebekah Jan. 24—Job's Daughters Catholic Daughters Eagles Aux. and Aerle

Jan. 25—St. Jude Y.L.I. Alvarado Farm Home Dept.

Jan. 26—St. Anne's Confraternity Maccabees

Jan. 27—Odd Fellows Catholic Women, Niles Wash. Twsh. Jr. Woman's Club

Jan. 28—Newark Cub Pack Radio Club of Today Township Sportsmen Alameda Firemen's Assoc. Neighbors of Woodcraft

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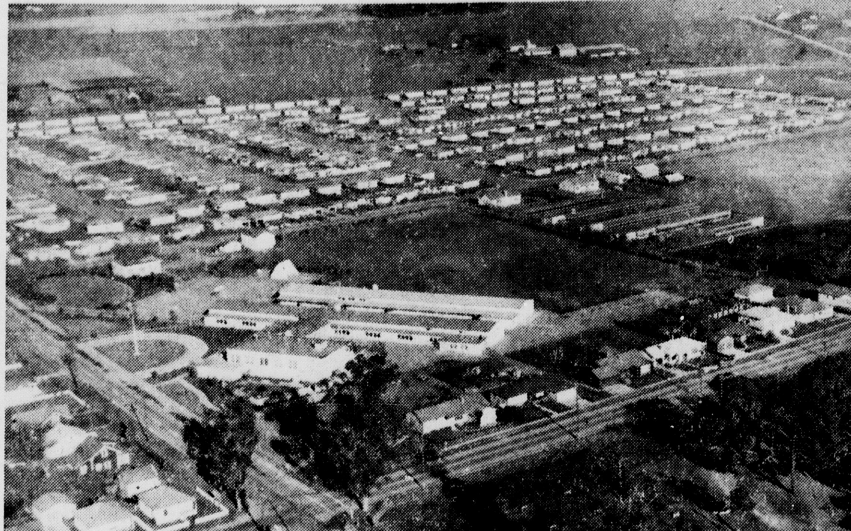


AWAY HE GOES—1954 grid season for Huskies may have lacked many victories, but it never lacked fight and fire. Here little half-

back Eddie Fletcher sprints for gain in final contest against Campbell.



MEMORIES — Miss Guliema Crocker, Washington Hi's first teacher, celebrated her 89th birthday in Centerville. She recalled vividly when school had only 25 pupils



HOMES—and schools grew hand-in-hand during 1954. This airphoto by Ken Foster shows how Los Ranchitos tract surrounded Newark Grammar School, helping force district to start another building next door (off photo, to right) — a "junior hi" affair.



NEW BANK—Groundbreaking in Centerville December 1 was first step to bring Bank of America new branch here. Wielding shovel is Mrs. Loren Marriott, while Bank Manager Marriott (center) and Shopping Center Builder Terry Moyer approve.



NEW FRIENDS—during the year included Berkeley Savings & Loan Association, which opened office in Centerville. Here Supervisor Kent Pursel (center) congratulates Pres. E. Ronald Long, while Centerville Manager Fred Richardson looks on.



MERGER—of two Sanitary Districts took place under guidance of chairmen, George Smith of Decoto district, and George Coit, of Union Sanitary.



CHARITY—Township's greatest effort was made in 1954 United Crusade. Here Cliff Tinsley and William LeFevre greet tots at St. Mary of the Palms School as Crusade leaders tour the institution prior to campaign kickoff.



BLAZE—Firemen were busy, as illustrated when the Irvington volunteers put out this flaming truck on Highway 17.



RECORD — Biggest antlers taken this year in U.S. belonged to this mule deer shot in Nevada last October by Joe Dooley, president of Niles Sportsmen. Son Garry shows 'em off.



CHAMP—Ken Andrus, 15, of Centerville, set new national speed record for model planes.

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COMMUNITY EFFORT—was building of Scout Hut in Centerville. Campaign Chairman Phil Sousa (at microphone) lauds those who solicited funds and those who labored with hammer and nails to make Scouts' dream a reality.



HONORED—was Centerville's Superior Judge Allen G. Norris, who spoke here at dedication of elementary school named after him. Norris had been longtime member of Board of Trustees.



SAMPLE—of new homes to be built in Township was provided at Parade of Homes in Irvington. Thousands inspected the latest in design as builders (including Dan Bodily, with Mrs. Bodily, above) presented prize models in convenient "one-stop" package.



NEW COMMISSIONER—Appointed to the County Planning Commission was Mrs. Florence Buehler of Niles, first woman commissioner in history. She is congratulated at testimonial dinner by Outgoing Commissioner R. J. Wright (right) and Supervisor Chester E. Stanley, who made the appointment.

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Ban On Drain Wells Said Threat

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plans for 120 new houses at Thornton and Mayhews Landing Roads are jeopardized by the water board's decision.

Both Dutra and Meyer said their drainage-well program had received approval from the State Water Pollution Control Board. However, District Mgr. Matt Whitfield countered:

"The State board automatically approves anything 400 feet south of Highway 17 because the underground water up to that point already is polluted with salt water from the Bay. We hope that by introducing fresh water from the San Joaquin Valley at some future date we may be able to drive back this salt-water intrusion, and we don't want the underground strata polluted in the meantime."

Whitfield added that only in about three or four cases had subdividers applied to the water district for approval of drainage wells. The other wells were drilled with county permission, but without official knowledge of the district, he said.

"When we found out there were 44 wells, and when drainage was beaten we had to act," he explained.

Meyer argued that backers of flood-and-drainage bonds hope to put them over in a second try next June; meantime, he declared "draining a little contaminated water won't do any permanent harm."

Roscoe H. Bowers, manager-to-be of the corrugated box factory, said its roof will cover 3 acres, and its parking lot another 10. To care for the runoff this will create, American Forest Products needs at least three "wells," or else surface drainage. In his case and in that of Smith-Peters, it was stressed that private attempts to buy rights-of-way to the Bay sloughs for drainage met with no success because intervening landowners refused to grant easements for ditches.

"I've heard industrialists argue that the Zone 5 bonds were strictly for subdividers," commented Prouty. "Now here's a man who proves factories need drainage too."

Said T. C. Binkley, engineer for the district:

"I think it's pretty harsh to halt these people after they've gone this far. We have to strike a balance between community development and preservation of the underground supplies."

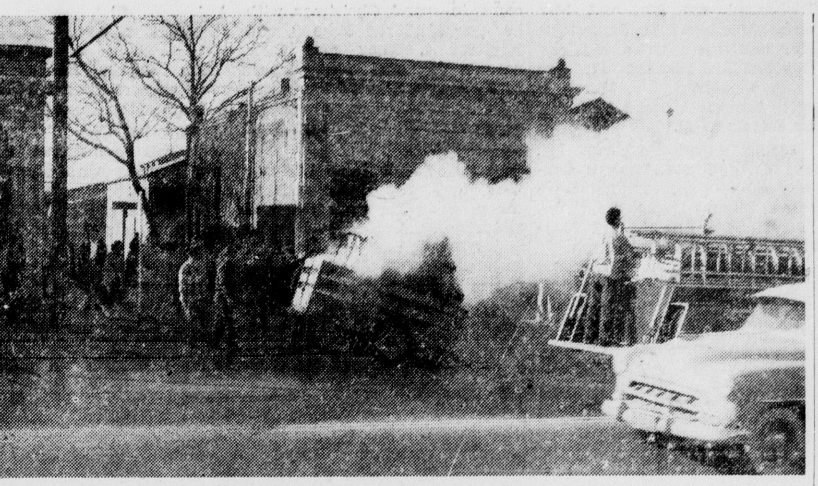
"Maybe this hearing will do some good. It's important to get the public awake."

Niles Zone Map To Be At Bank

The county's proposed zoning map of Niles will be displayed in the local branch of the First Western Bank & Trust Co., starting next week.

This information was relayed to the Niles Chamber of Commerce Tuesday by Secretary Vernon Ellsworth.

Ellsworth said he had asked for the map to be displayed in order for local residents to familiarize themselves with the technical staff's suggestions before the next hearing in Oakland before the Planning Commission on January 24.



TRAFFIC-STOPPER—This blaze in a trailer loaded with household goods drew the attention of Christmas shoppers on Main Street in Centerville last week. Local volunteer firemen put it out. (NEWS-REGISTER Photo)

Events In Review; 1954 In Township

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Supervisor Harry Bartell started a row with Taxi Operator Bernie Vail. Two Navy officers died in a plane smash atop the hills behind Decoto. The National Guard armory at Centerville was dedicated by State dignitaries. Al Juhl of Niles — whose wife had passed away not two months earlier — followed her in death. Conway & Culligan announced they'd build 1200 homes south of Irvington. And three incumbent water district directors were re-elected.

APRIL — The pioneer Township REGISTER merged with the Washington NEWS. Six persons were arrested in connection with the model-home lootings, and the South Bay Crossing got official okehs all the way to the top, promising untold benefits for this area.

MAY — Polio vaccine tests, the only ones in California, were held here. Sumiko Kato, president of the local JACL, was killed in a tragic auto accident near San Jose. Anglers released 10,000 rainbow trout there for the first time. Irvington was picked for the second Township high school location. Mrs. Emily Mattos Telles, 86, died in Mission San Jose. There was a fine hassle over whether the local Teachers' Association ought to contribute \$50 to the re-election campaign of County Supt. of Schools Vaughn Seidel. Voters defeated the proposed 50-cent Washington Hi tax increase, and immediately the school started looking for places to cut services. Dr. E. M. Grimmer Jr. was elected to the high school board, and Bert Silveira, 75, colorful barber who remembered the Essanay Days so well, died in Niles.

JUNE — Washington Hi graduated 158 seniors; Decoto held a rip-roaring Flag Day celebration; seventy Township lads went off for two weeks of summer camp with the National Guard; Mission San Jose and Irvington were zoned; John Pihl caught a 13-pound trout with a 9-inch rainbow for "bait"; priority for completion of the Eastshore Freeway was demanded by local representatives; the speed limit was cut on the highway at Niles; the County Fair opened with its customary zizz-boom-bah at Pleasanton.

JULY — It was bumpy, but it was open! Meaning of course the Freeway between Warm Springs and San Jose. An early Township auto dealer, Edward B. Rose, 65, died in Oakland. Apricot canning started. A train killed chemical worker Eugene Wortner at Newark. Decoto's New Colma Lumber Mill was razed by a \$200,000 fire. Central Bank branches here became part of the San Francisco Bank, finally the First Western Bank & Trust Co. Newark voted a 28-cent school tax boost. Throughout the Township, school budgets hit \$1,948,000 — another record. Three "specialists" prescribed an aggressive program to save the faltering Township Chamber of Commerce. The Catholic Church

bought 12 acres near Irvington for a school.

AUGUST — A strike (which was to last two months) closed the Pacific States Steel mill. There was trouble over pumping at the Soito Well by the Alameda County Water District. John M. Vivo, of Newark, was killed accidentally while deer hunting. Niles' Chamber of Commerce changed its meeting place to try for more attendance. Centerville's "C" Battery won the Adjutant General's progress trophy for National Guard artillerymen. Four persons died in a Warm Springs accident; and Township property values topped 40 million dollars for the first time.

SEPTEMBER — Supervisors kicked Centerville's zoning from pillar to post but finally granted it on September 21. The Parade of Homes attracted more than 30,000 people to Irvington. Washington Hi opened with 1110 pupils; Decoto Sanitary District merged with the Union Sanitary District. Father John Lean of Mission San Jose retired after 40 years as a Township pastor. Niles, Centerville and Irvington all were studying cityhood. Newark and Glenmoor Gardens were off on their own. The NEWS-REGISTER opened in its new \$85,000 home.

OCTOBER — The Land Development Committee submitted a "master plan" for Township and Southern Alameda County growth. A \$2,500,000 paper-box factory was announced for Newark. The United Crusade started, and so did Washington Hi's football season, with a 13-6 win over Carmont. Determined not to fail this time, Washington Hi trustees put over the 50-cent tax boost on their second try, 1773-1186. There were 6924 kids in Township schools. The U-Save Center opened, and Centerville launched a \$200,000 drive to build a parochial school. Best news of all: The State allocated \$4,500,000 to build a 5.6-mile freeway section between Jackson Street and the Alviso School.

NOVEMBER — Sam Scott, Allen Walton and L. S. Whitaker were re-elected to the hospital board. The Water District was warned to prepare for a surge of population. The Tree-view and Rousseau tracts annexed to Hayward, marking the first time that any portion of the Township was lost to a city. The Allen G. Norris School was dedicated. Joseph Pollins of Irvington slew his wife and himself in Santa Clara. The new Centerville Food Market opened. The annual TB Seal Sale started, under chairmanship of Mrs. Laura Whipple. C. W. Kraft won a national builders' award. Newark disclosed its "city limits," and a Township "cityhood" study committee was formed under chairmanship of Wallace Pond. Township hearts opened to the plight of Barbara Gene, a handicapped Irvington tot who needed a ride. Local Christmas clubs at the banks distributed \$146,296. R. J. Wright resigned as county planning commissioner and was succeeded by Mrs. Florence Buehler. Richard Gellersen, 42, Niles truck operator, died after an accident;

Mrs. Buehler Warned By Planners

Colleagues of Mrs. Florence Buehler, new County Planning Commissioner from Niles, last week had very little good to say about her idea to form a hometown advisory group on planning Washington Township.

Mrs. Buehler had sparked formation of the citizen group to (1) assist her in preparing a master plan for this area, and (2) to guide her in future decisions.

The group will have its first official meeting January 3, at the County Building here.

At a meeting in Oakland the same day the group held its first get-together. Commissioner George Dugan warned:

"The theory is wonderful, but it can be very dangerous. You'll find yourself in an awful spot on something, and then after it's threshed out here, we go against you."

Mrs. Buehler answered:

"I'm willing to take that responsibility as a means of approaching a public relations job that we need to do here."

She emphasized that in her contacts with the advisory group, she did not intend to make any statements or commitments for the commission.

"You may not intend to, but you may be misinterpreted," Dugan warned.

Mrs. Buehler emphasized, in opening the meeting last week that recommendations of the study group must be considered "advisory only," and that she "does not speak for the commission."

Commissioner Fred Melman asserted:

"I think we should admire Mrs. Buehler for telling us about this, and for her energy in taking it on. I'm fearful she will find it is easy to walk into a situation which she can't foresee and can afterward prove highly embarrassing. These situations take adroit handling in order not to prejudice the action of the commission."

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Parents Learn Too, At Niles PTA

A parent-education class will be organized at a meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association at the Niles Grammar School January 11.

The program at 7:30 p.m., will follow a potluck supper at 6:30 p.m.

Mrs. Charlotte Johnston, parent-education chairman for the P-TA has suggested the topic of "What is a good elementary school?" for the new class.

Members of her committee are Supt. E. D. Bristow, and his administrative assistant, Edward Turner. Mrs. Rose Winkel, Mrs. Polly Gross, Mrs. Doris Souza, Mr. and Mrs. Camillus Campi and Mrs. Carolyn Hubbard, president.

The class will be open to all members of the P-TA. The time for meetings and the topic for study will be decided at the January meeting.

The project has been endorsed by the board of trustees, Mrs. Johnston said.

Jehovah Witness Church In Niles

The newly-formed Niles congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses announced today they will hold their first public Bible Lecture on Sunday, Jan. 2, at 7 p.m. in their Kingdom Hall which is located at 748 Ist. in Niles.

The public is cordially invited to attend the free Bible Lecture entitled "Hope in a New World."

Guest speaker will be Paul Beck of Oakland.

This new congregation is a part of the world-wide preaching organization of Jehovah's Witnesses under the direction of The Watchtower Bible & Tract Society, with headquarters in New York City. The ministry work of this organization includes the distribution of Bibles and Bible Aids in some 90 languages and in 159 Lands and Islands of the sea. Today there are over half a million ministers of this organization.

The Niles Congregation will serve the residents of Washington Township and will have 50 ministers calling at the homes of their neighbors and giving them free Bible Education.

The modern Jehovah's Witnesses organization was gathered from a small group of Bible Students who began meeting together in 1872 to study.

The sect growing at the rate of almost 200 daily in spite of persecution in many countries such as Russia and her satellites where the ministers daily carry on their preaching activity underground despite arrests and imprisonments.

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Around Irvington Square

By Constance Baumgartner

All of us here at Irvington Square would like to thank Conway & Culligan for the lovely poinsettias that were delivered to all of us. It was a very nice Christmas gesture on the part of the builders.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Powell and their two children, John Jr. and Peggy, are the newest residents of Irvington Square. Mr. Powell is with the Helicopter firm in Palo Alto. They are living at 21 Yorktown Rd.

At 17 Yorktown Rd. you will find Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Boehler and their daughter Jo Ellen. Mr. Boehler is a salesman for the Monarch Electric Stove Co.

Happy to be in their new home at 18 Independence were Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jones. Their three children, Darrell 8, Jimmy 7, and Lynette 2, were thrilled by the visit from Santa Claus. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Loba, parents of Mrs. Jones, are staying with the family at present.

Discharged just in time for Christmas was Jerry Skaggs. His parents Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Skaggs of 123 Montrose Ave. drove up to Fort Ord and brought him home Jerry will resume his college studies this fall. Mr. Skaggs and an older brother, Floyd, are electricians at the Todd shipyards in Alameda.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Grizoffi of 20 Independence Rd. traveled to Oakland with their children, Rose 6, Judy 3, and Fred 4, to have a family reunion at Christmas. Mr. Grizoffi is an inspector at the Hazel Atlas Glass Co. of Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Corbett of 21 Independence Rd. have an unusual hobby, raising tropical fish. They would be interested in meeting anybody who would like to trade fish with them. When not at his hobby Richard is a Navy storekeeper 1st Class at Treasure Island.

Master Sgt. and Mrs. Edward J. Bojick and daughter, Sally Ann Barthel, live at 1 Jamestown Rd. Master Sgt. Bojick has been in the Army for 15 years and at present is running the Officers' Mess at Camp Parks Air Force Base, Pleasanton.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Walton of 15 Jamestown Rd. entertained Mrs. Walton's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Ireland of Oakland, and her brother Warren and family of Galt for the Christmas festivities. The Waltons have four children, Robert Lee Jr. 9, Raymond 8, Betty Jean 6½, and Charlie 4. Mr. Walton is a Navy Boatswain's Mate.

Living at 11 Jamestown Rd. are Mr. and Mrs. Herman Munford and their three children, Eugene 15, Susan 13, and Judy 10. Mr. Munford is a journeyman baker at Mothers Cake & Cookie Co.

Celebrating a birthday and Christmas was little David Tenschiera who was 10 years old December 21. David, his sister, Kathryn 7½, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Tenschiera, live at 17 Jamestown Rd. Mr. Tenschiera works for the Pacific Can Co.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Boydston and their children were happy to be in their new home, at 7 Chatterton Court, for Christmas. The children are Dennis 9, Kathy 6, Georgia 3, Paula 2, and Harold 2 months. Mr. Boydston is a metalsmith at the Alameda Naval Air Station.

Spending Christmas in Chico were Maj. and Mrs. Harold H. Health and daughter Sharon. They visited the Maj's brother. Excited over Christmas were the four children of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Milligan of 16 Jamestown Rd. The children David Ojeda 9, Johnnie Lynn 4, Kurt 2, and Burt 1, spent a jolly Christmas at home. Mr. Milligan is with the Allen Automatic Sprinkler Co., of San Francisco.

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Richmond are Mr. and Mrs. Miles Morris of 21 Jamestown Rd. and their three children, Sharon 13, Richard 11, and Allen 5 months. Mr. Morris is with the West Coast Trucking Co. of Oakland.

Living at 12 Yorktown Rd. are Mr. and Mrs. Marvyn Carpenter and their children Lawrence, 3; and Diana, 9 months. Marvyn is a lineman for Pacific Telephone & Telegraph.

Mrs. Alice Martin of Oakland

came to spend Christmas with her grandchildren Mike 5, and Paulette 4. They and their parents Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. France live at 24 Yorktown Rd. Mr. France is a cabinetmaker for Western Electric of Emeryville.

Several people have told me that they are interested in car pools to Hayward, Oakland and vicinity. Anybody willing to start them please get in touch with me at 125 Montrose Ave.

Mrs. Courson Again Heads Jr. Women

Mrs. Gloria Courson last week was re-elected president of Washington Township's Junior Women's club.

She will be installed in January. Serving with Mrs. Courson will be:

Mrs. Arthur Karlstedt, vice-president; Mrs. Frederick Luden, recording secretary; Mrs. Charles Snow, treasurer; Mrs.

Robert Nethery, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Mac Currie, parliamentarian; and Mrs. Paul Driggs, auditor.

Standing committees and chairmen announced by Mrs. Courson include:

Mrs. James Herd, Jr., chairman of ways and means, assisted by Mrs. Robert Miller, Mrs. R. Harry Kvarnstrom,

and Mrs. William Humpert.

Mrs. "Tex" Doshier, chairman of social and hospitality committee, assisted by Mrs. Robert Peters;

Mrs. Dean Davenport, chairman of philanthropic committee, assisted by Mrs. Paul Melvin;

Mrs. George T. Keller, chairman of membership commit-

tee, assisted by Mrs. Robert McGinnis.

Other committee appointments include:

Mrs. Frank Santos, publicity; Mrs. Robert Drouin, citizenship; Mrs. Davenport, better community; Mrs. Snow, budget; and Mrs. Homer Ligon, inspiration and fine arts.

Mrs. Larry Gronley, Mrs. William Lynch and Mrs. Luden were named as staff members of a club bulletin, publi-

Cousins' Visit

Mr. and Mrs. Marty Sammon and family entertained Mr. and Mrs. James Russell of Olean, New York, on Christmas Day. A03 James Russell is a distant cousin of Mrs. Sammon and he and his wife are presently stationed at Moffett Field.

location of which will begin shortly.

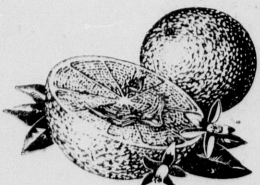


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Sandwich Bread	Mrs. Wright's, White or Wheat—Large Loaf	25¢	Cheese Spread	Che-Zip—8-oz. Glass	29¢
Cream Cheese	Kraft, Philadelphia or Pimento—3-oz. Package	2 for 25¢	Anchovy Fillets	Rolls or Flat—2-oz. Can	2 for 33¢
Whole Sweet Pickles	Finer-Made 16-oz. Glass	29¢	Sparkling Water	Cragmont—Quart Bottle (Plus Deposit)	2 for 33¢
Potato Chips	Granny Goose—Twin Pack	59¢	Belfast Root Beer	11-oz. Bottle (Plus Deposit)	6 for 45¢
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Baking Squashes	Hubbard, Banana, Marblehead	6¢
Coachella Grapefruit	Varieties. Your Choice—Lb.	6¢
Fresh Cabbage	A Breakfast Favorite—Lb.	12¢
Winesap Apples	Crisp, Cannon Ball Variety—Lb.	7½¢
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Wente Predicts 1955 Will Bring Higher Income, Employment To Californians

California's business outlook for the year 1955 will show slightly higher levels of employment and individual incomes than the nation as a whole, Carl F. Wente, San Francisco, president of the California State Chamber of Commerce predicted today.

Reviewing business activity for the past year, Wente said, "A majority of economists and businessmen appear to agree that the national trend of business activity will be moderately upward during 1955, and that industrial production, construction, and consumer retail purchases will average somewhat larger than during 1954."

"Based on the facts as we see them now, California is expected to continue to show slightly higher levels of employment and individual incomes than the nation as a whole, although these trends may not always be apparent in comparative percentage changes from the same period a year ago. Since the 1954 business dip was smaller, the upswing also may be smaller," Wente said.

"During 1954, non-farm employment in California averaged 3,895,000 or about 1 percent less than during 1953. Nationally, the mild recession which prevailed during a large part of 1954, brought a 3 percent decrease in non-farm employment. The major difference in trends between California and the nation as a whole was in the manufacturing segment of the economy. Nationally, factory employment dropped 7.2 percent, due mainly to rather drastic inventory curtailments in the durable goods industries."

"In California, factory employment during 1954 was only 2.3 percent below 1953. Most of the manufacturing industries in this State showed declines in employment ranging from 1.4 in petroleum refining to 11.2 percent in the primary metal industries, but the continued expansion of employment in the aircraft and parts, instrument, electronics, guided missile, and other defense contract industries sustained total factory employment at relatively high levels."

The former president of the Bank of America went on: "The outlook for 1955 in this important segment of the State's economy is for stability rather than for further expansion. Employment in the aircraft industries reached a peak in 1954, after almost continuous expansion since 1950. Other defense contract industries are expected to level off in 1955. No cut-backs are in sight, and further increases are possible in the backlog of aircraft contracts. However, the anticipated recovery in the civil

vian segment of the durable goods manufacturing industries will have less effect in raising the level of total employment in California than in other areas where a much sharper drop took place during 1954."

Wente said, "Construction is another field of economic activity in which California and the United States have shown somewhat different trends during the past year. This fast growing State has for the past ten years accounted for 11 to 13 percent of the nation's volume of construction, or nearly double the ratio of population. Construction volume apparently reached a peak in California during 1953 and leveled off in 1954 at high levels. Home building showed a sharp upswing in the last quarter of 1954, with a rise of 5 percent over 1953. Official forecasts are that national construction volume will rise another 7 percent in 1955, and that residential building will be up 13 percent. California may share in this increased construction volume to some extent but here again the outlook is for comparative stability near the very high levels of about \$4 billion yearly which already have been reached, rather than for any large further expansion."

"Business expenditures for new plant and equipment nationally have been lower during 1954, especially in the manufacturing category, but there has been no sharp drop. Although manufacturing capital investment over the nation is expected to decline further during the early part of 1955, California expects an increased tempo in volume of capital investment in new or expanded industrial plants."

The business leader said, "Industrial growth in this region due to decentralization, and location of branch facilities to serve the western market is expected to increase such capital investments in California."

Wente noted, "Petroleum production during 1954 was about 2 percent below 1953 peak levels."

The outlook for 1955 is for increased demands in the Pacific Coast marketing area, and higher levels of production. California companies plan large investments in exploration and development. Further steps also will be taken to expand supplies of natural gas. Metal mining has been relatively restricted, and no change is anticipated.

"Preliminary estimates indicate gross cash farm income in California of about \$2,450,000,000 in 1954, down some 7 percent below 1953. Although the U.S. Department of Agriculture expects some further decrease in gross farm income for the country as a whole, local farm economists are somewhat more optimistic with regard to the California outlook. This is due in part to the preponderance of fruit and vegetable specialties in this State which are more sensitive to changes in the national level of business activity."

"Individual incomes in California during the past year were in excess of \$25 billion during 1954. In spite of the inventory adjustment, the decreases in certain lines of manufacture, construction, and trade; and lower farm incomes; California's individual incomes for the year were slightly larger than during 1953. The expected further increase in 1955 is not large, with most forecasts falling within a range of from 1 to 2 percent above 1954 levels," said Wente.

"To sum up these somewhat divergent industry and regional trends, the prospect seems to be for the State's economy to remain balanced or stabilized at comparatively high levels. Most businessmen look forward with confidence to a comparatively prosperous year, but few expect any developments which would result in any sharp expansion of employment or incomes. Competition is expected to be keen, both for business enterprises and for job-seekers," Wente concluded.

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INSIDE TOWNSHIP INDUSTRIES

By Harriet Gittings

The Visking Corporation factory, at Baine and Blacow, Centerville, is a relative newcomer to Township Industries. Operations started at the

three-quarter million dollar plant in January, 1953, and there are now forty six employees, and a yearly payroll of \$250,000.

Already plans for expansion are being discussed.

The Centerville branch serves West Coast polyethylene sheeting needs for the nation-wide firm, and produces half-a-million pounds each month, for sale to manufacturers who print and cut the film to their own order. At present produce packers are the principal users of the plastic.

Known for many years in the meat-casing field, Visking entered plastic making in 1945, with gun cases for the government. Since then, uses for the film have multiplied, and plant production all over the country has increased, so that now Visking is the largest plastic film producer in the United States. Its headquarters are in Illinois.

John Hillman, plant manager, and James Brachall, production superintendent, are in charge of operations here. Because the machinery was designed especially for the company's processing, it was necessary to train all employees before production could begin.

The resin used for the plastic arrives at the plant in fifty-

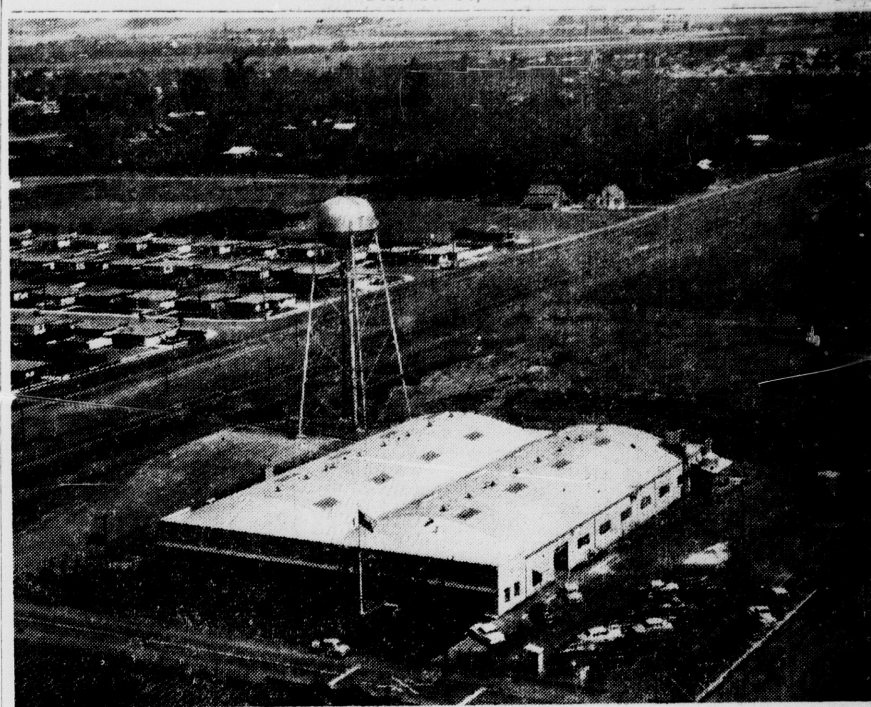
Patrol Declares War On Holiday Drunk Drivers

"Any drunk driver found in the East Bay will go to jail!" This was the flat declaration of State Highway Patrol Captain Howard Amborn today when discussing holiday traffic control problems in Alameda County.

Amborn explained that year after year the greatest problem in holiday traffic enforcement is created by those drivers who insist on driving after drinking.

"It has been scientifically proven that two highballs or two bottles of beer can dull reactions, disturb vision and slow reflexes enough to create traffic accident hazards."

"The answer is simple," the Captain pointed out, "if you drive, don't drink; and if you drink, don't drive."



FROM THE AIR—Visking Corp.'s, Centerville factory shows proximity to homes in Orchard Park (left). Plant was established here two years ago. (WESTERN AIR Photo)

pound bags, shipped from Texas. Through a complicated heating and melting operation, the white crystals are transformed into a semi-fluid state, and then formed with dies into sheets which harden upon exposure to air. Scraps are re-heated and melted, thus eliminating any waste.

Available in twenty colors, the polyethylene is made in continuous rolls, either of tubing, or sheeting. It can be made in several thickness, with the thin-

nest, one-thousandth of an inch. The completed rolls are trucked to manufacturers, where by cutting or printing it is made into many items, for example, shower curtains, freezer bags, or rubber-tire forms.

There are three technical sales representatives on the west coast, according to Hillman, but they do little selling, as the product "sells itself." Cost of the polyethylene film has gone down to half what it was five years ago, and the company policy of cut-

ting production and shipping costs means many new customers for Visking's plastic.

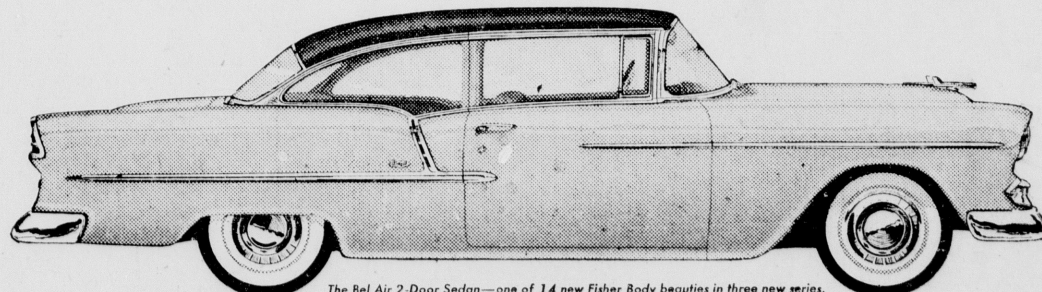
"The future of polyethylene is almost unlimited," says Hillman. "New uses are found almost daily, and these range from foundation slab covers, to tomato-plant protectors."

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County Teacher Standards High, Seidel Report Says

Ninety-one out of a hundred teachers in Alameda County now hold the regular teaching credential, Dr. Vaughn D. Seidel, county schools superintendent, said today.

Credentials in force in the county at the present time number 5,876, of which 5,398 are regular full certificates and 478 are provisional. Of these provisional certificates, 137 are held by substitute teachers, the superintendent said.

"In order to obtain a provisional credential, a teacher must certify to the State Department of Education that she

intends to complete the necessary requirements for the full teaching credential. In addition, her application must be accompanied by a statement from the county superintendent of schools and the district superintendent stating that no acceptable teacher with full credentials has applied for the position."

Dr. Seidel also reported a total of 9,452 persons now employed by the school districts of Alameda County. Of these, 6,792 are employed by the city unified districts and 2,660 by the rural and suburban districts. Teachers and administrators account for 6,367 of the positions held, and non-certificated personnel, including secretarial and custodial personnel, cafeteria employees, bus drivers and others, account for 3,085.

What's A Scaup? (It's A \$75 Duck)

Scaup hunting around Newark can be a costly sport, Sam Kubo, 43, of Cupertino, learned last week.

Kubo was arrested December 19 by Game warden Ed Everington and charged with (1) shooting from a power boat, and (2) having nine scaup in his possession.

Judge E. A. Quaresma had to recess court briefly to find out what scaup were. They turned out to be a rare species of duck, according to Everington. Kubo paid a \$75 fine.



WINNERS—Washington Hi students receive talent awards from Don Santo following contest held recently at Center Theatre. Left to right are Russ Osborne, theater manager; Roy Smith and Maxine Smith, 113 Dura Way, Centerville; and Santo.

Mothers Guild To Hold Cake Sale

Mothers Guild of St. Mary of the Palms will have a cake sale in front of St. Joseph's Church, Mission San Jose, after all the Masses on Sunday morning, January 23.

Mrs. Dan Pauline and Mrs. William Silva will be in charge. Fifth and 6th grade mothers will bake cupcakes for sale to the school children Thursday, January 6.

As their year's project, members of the guild will provide each classroom with needed school material. The first requests to be filled will be that of the first grade for a felt arithmetic board kit, and geography text books for the 7th and 8th grades. Needs of other classes will be met as funds are available. Next meeting of the guild will be Friday, January 28.

California's salt industry is centered principally on the southeast shore of San Francisco Bay.

Red alder is the leading hardwood in the Pacific Northwest used for furniture manufacture.

1955 School Enrollment To Be Double That of '44, Prediction

Next year's enrollment in all school districts in Alameda County will be nearly twice what it was in 1943-44, according to a prediction made today by County Schools Superintendent Vaughn D. Seidel.

During the ten-year period from 1943-44 to 1953-54, Dr. Seidel said, average daily attendance increased from 75,097 to 133,180 or 77 per cent. On November 1 of this year, actual enrollment in all districts was 141,410 an increase of 88 per cent over average daily attendance for 1943-44.

Between 1943-44 and 1953-54, school districts in Southern Alameda County registered a

282 per cent increase in ADA, from 9,714 to 37,038, while city unified districts increased from 65,363 to 96,092 or 47 per cent.

Rural and suburban elementary schools in Southern Alameda County increased their attendance four times during the ten-year period (7,341 to 30,112) and high school attendance in the rural and suburban districts increased nearly three times (2,373 to 6,976).

Citing Alameda County's increasing birth rate as a contributing factor, Dr. Seidel predicted that the upward trend in school enrollment will continue for some time to come. "Births in Alameda County increased 15.2 per cent between 1949 and 1953, and we can expect to enroll most of these youngsters in our kindergarten and primary classes during the next few years. At the present time we have more kindergarten and first grade pupils than we have high school students, and our kindergarten through fourth grade enrollments account for nearly half our total elementary and high school population."

Arranges Funeral, Commits Suicide

Juan Mercado, 74, made his funeral arrangements then killed himself in his home at 425 Fourth Street, Decoto.

Mercado made arrangements recently for his funeral with a local mortuary.

Neighbors told deputy sheriffs Wednesday that they had not noticed any movement at the house for 24 hours.

Deputy Orrin Strand broke into the house and found Mercado had shot himself through the head.

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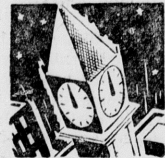
A recent enlistee in the Army is Juan P. Perez, of Irvington, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eudileo Perez. A former employee of the Bulldog Pallet Co., he was a member of the championship "C" basketball team before he graduated from Washington Hi in 1952.



To all the friends who have made the old year a happy one for us, best wishes for a New Year that will rate among their best ever!

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Berkeley Savings Elects Directors; Richardson Upped

In a directors' meeting held December 20, Berkeley Savings and Loan Association voted its 10th consecutive semi-annual declaration of interest on savings and elected four new directors to the board, according to an announcement by E. Ronald Long, President of the Association.

The new directors are: Robert D. Fraser and John S. Burd, Jr., Oakland attorneys; Paul Hammarberg, architect; and George Hoyt, Berkeley realtor and appraiser.

In making the announcement, Long reported that 1954 has been the best in the Association's history—with an increase in assets of over \$1,000,000. Over \$18,000,000 in new loans was processed during the year, Long said.

Proutys Entertain

Among the larger New Years Eve parties is one scheduled at Warm Springs by the Jack Proutys.

Newark 'City' Fund Hits \$858

The fund for the study of the possible incorporation of Newark has reached \$858.16 of the \$1000 goal, committee members reported today.

A poll of the members of the Finance Committee indicates that there is a "good possibility" of receiving from \$150 to \$300 in addition to the above amount. The drive will continue until the goal is attained or these possibilities are exhausted.

Five hundred dollars of the fund will be paid to Kroeger and Associates, San Francisco firm which is expected to finish the study in the middle of January. The money remaining will be used for any other expenses pertinent to the study.

Contributions listed by divisions are as follows: Organizations: \$245 - 50% response; Commercial business \$202.50 - 40%; Larger industry \$225 - 37%; Builders and dealers \$63.79 - 20%; Small industry \$80 - 25%; Large property owners \$35 - 10%; Citizens Committee Members \$26.87 - 100%.

LECOUNTS HOLD LEAD

LeCount Builders of Newark remained on top of the Village Bowl Thursday Handicap league this week, with a 34-18 won-lost record, beating Mayfair Stores, 3-1. Michael's Credit Jewelers were in second place by virtue of a 3-1 victory over Sawaway Cleaners. Their record: 33-19.

MISSION SAN JOSE

By Regena Dennie

Thursday night, Helen's Fountain was the scene of a gay Christmas party for the Children of Mission San Jose. Entertainment was given by three members of the San Lorenzo Strutter Grotto who were second place winners at the State Fair last year. Carolyn Merritt entertained the group with a hula dance and Frances Merritt and Charlene Galletti twirled batons.

Santa Clause then gave the children a box of candy. Helen received many compliments for her lovely 12-ft. Christmas tree, which was the center of attraction in her fountain.

Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Andrade was enjoyed by Laura Azevedo, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kohlmoos and Linda of San Bruno, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Garcia of Niles.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dunlap entertained Mr. and Mrs. Ray Williams and Mary Kaye for the holiday. The Williams traveled from San Fernando.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Medeiros motored to Los Angeles to be the guests of Mrs. Medeiros's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Bradley in Los Angeles, for Christmas and New Years.

Ellis Cottell of Merced spent the Christmas holidays with his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dell Stotts and daughters. The Stotts recently moved into their new home in the Lindsay Tract.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hill and sons spent Christmas at home with just the family.

I wonder how many people noticed the lovely out-door Christmas tree that Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Mello have displayed on Bryant Street? Also Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Amaral displayed a lovely out-door scene. Folks across from St. Joseph's Church enjoyed Christmas Carols during the evening hours.

The High School Christmas Dance was enjoyed last Friday night by Becky Overacker, Lawrence Garcia, Richard Vargas, Duane and Harold Hill and David Koelsch. The theme carried for the evening was "Winter Wonderland."

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Brown and Kathy and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Medeiros held the traditional Christmas dinner at the Medeiros residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wing and Debby spent the holiday with Bob's mother, Mrs. Arthur B. Wing in Berkeley.

Iris Lofton and Chuck Wiggins exchanged Christmas wishes with Mrs. Flossie Wiggins with a dinner at the Wiggins home in Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mueller were hosts to Mr. and Mrs. August Scheumeman and Mrs. Grace McLeod of Oakland and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mueller of San Leandro at Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Monger are entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Walt Monger of Paradise for a week. Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Cherrington of Oakland joined the group for dinner.

I wish all my readers and the staff a very happy New Year.

Ranchers Fined \$500 In Poison Spray Case Here

Two Irvington ranchers paid fines totalling \$500 last week for permitting unsafe spraying of strawberries.

Fined \$250 each, as a condition of probation after being found guilty by Judge E. A. Quaresma were Walter Papazian and Gil Moscardo, of the "Lucky Strike" Ranch.

A 17-year-old farmhand had testified he became ill after using poison spray to protect strawberries on their place.

Judge Quaresma also stipulated that Papazian and Moscardo must abide by provisions of the State Agricultural Code, under which they were charged.

Papazian is a brother-in-law of famed writer William Saroyan.

Alvarado Levee Work To Begin

At a cost of \$27,257, work will begin shortly on construction of the Alvarado levee between Marsh Road and the main outlet channel of Zone 3A of the county Flood Control District.

Souza Brothers and McCue, Yuba City contractors, were low bidders on the job.

Six bids ranging to a high of \$55,919 were opened by the supervisors last week. Flood engineers had estimated the job at \$50,000.

The two-mile levee will follow the old Plummer Clough levee west from Marsh Road, south of Alvarado, for about a mile, then will turn north to a junction with the old Alameda Creek channel west of Alvarado.

Levee work includes 44,000 cubic yards of embankment and the installation of corrugated metal pipes and tide gates for local drainage.

Engineers predicted it will protect Alvarado from future flooding from flood waters from the south. The Plummer Slough levee was completely destroyed in many places by floods of November 1950 and January 1952.

Herbert G. Crowle, engineer-manager of the flood control district, said work on the project should start within a few days.

Start of levee construction will mark the first step in a \$3,639,000 construction program authorized by voters of Zone 3A, extending from "C" street in Hayward to a line just south of Alvarado.

Rotarians Hold Christmas Dinner

Rotarians and their ladies viewed color film slides of Europe, taken by Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Lamoreaux on their recent continental tour, when the service club held its annual yuletide party last Saturday in the International Kitchen.

Harlen Bradley, president, was master of ceremonies.

Members of the holiday planning committee included:

Michaels Visit

The Bruce Michaels of Warm Springs spent Christmas Day with Mrs. Michaels' brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Houghteling of Los Gatos.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Nixon, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Parks, Vernon Ellsworth, William Helm, Mrs. Clarence Crane, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Marks and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Serpa. Marks was chairman.



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Around Town

As we come to the end of 1954 we can close our eyes for a moment or two and reflect upon the events of the past year, good and bad, before we head into the unknown of '55.

Joe McCarthy, the fearless headline hunter, bagged a limit of his specialty and to Senator Joe goes the dubious distinction of earning our nomination for "loudmouth of '54." He'll probably repeat again in '55 because we can't find a suitable challenger who can wag his tongue with the vituperative and venomous vitality of McCarthy.

The world is still seeking a "lasting peace" just like it has for years. Diplomats, politicians, emissaries and envoys of one sort or another worked diligently to discover the proper ingredients for peace but they still haven't agreed on a recipe that promises anything but a continuation of the Cold War. Maybe we should hope for a continuation of the same, lest things erupt into a hot war.

There were some good things in '54 and television provided its share to make our days more

pleasurable. When the awards are passed out for great programs "Medic" and "Disneyland" will be certain to take their share. "Mr. Saturday Night" Jackie Gleason and Ed "Smiles" Sullivan with his Sunday "Toast of the Town" will undoubtedly cruise right along through '55 giving us their usual programs, which are the best.

When the new station KOVR, Channel 13, of Stockton came on the air it sent many a 'man of the house' scrambling around his roof frantically adjusting his TV antenna so he could tune in the pro football games. All in all the reception of KOVR on most sets in this area was very good. There were a few cases of hair-pulling and new antennas which went for naught, but they were rare exceptions.

There are also a few things left for speculation. Who's going to teach us the Mambo? What the heck is the Mambo? Is the Rec' District going to start an exercise class for ladies early next year as rumored? (One way to wear off the holiday excess... but if we knew the answer we could eat more.) Will Newark be incorporated next year?

Newark welcomed two new organizations during the past year. The Kiwanis club went through its first year and with its contribution to the youth of the community stamped itself as a true "service" club. The kids will long remember the free watermelon feed, the free cartoon show on Kids Day at the Center Theater (with the cooperation of Russ Osborn, theater manager, who is a real first-class gentleman) and then there were many other youth activities the Kiwanians helped: Cub Scouts, sending a boy and girl to summer camp, co-sponsoring with the Rec' District a Kite contest, pet parade, Little League Baseball and other projects.

Gordon Cotton did a great job as president of the Kiwanis club through its first year, and we are certain Charles Snow will do likewise in '55 as the club grows in membership and continues its community benevolence. The Kiwanians had quite a time with

their own youngsters at their Christmas party last Monday when Santa came for their own families. Then too, it gave the Kiwanians an opportunity to thank the ladies of the four Presbyterian Church Circles who prepare their weekly dinners.

The Homeowners Improvement Association came onto the scene during the last half of the year and immediately showed its interest in civic and community affairs. It has brought new leadership to our town through its preponderance of membership from the new residents. We've always maintained that the intermingling of the old & new residents would create a blend of leadership which would be good for Newark and it looks like the HOIA and Chamber of Commerce can do just that. We salute Everett Ezra, Bill Tolley, Gil Walrath, Roy Jensen, George Silliman, Ted Eicher and Company and wish them an active and successful '55.

By the way, the HOIA is holding a Get Acquainted Pot Luck Social on Saturday, January 15, at the Pavilion. Here is a real fine opportunity for everyone to mix and become friends over a generous serving of Virginia baked ham, rolls and coffee that will go with the cold & hot dishes the pot luckers bring. All this for ONE DOLLAR for the whole family! There will be entertainment, music and dancing, auctions etc. so everyone can have an enjoyable evening.

Mrs. W. C. Dean and her son and daughter, Danny and Pat are enjoying a week in southern California. They are visiting Mrs. Dean's mother, Mrs. L. L. Duncan in Pomona as well as other relatives in the area. The treat they are looking forward to is watching the Rose Bowl Parade on New Year's Day.

By the way if you are missing a Beagle and know what a Beagle is and want the Beagle back it would be a good idea to give Mrs. Dean a jingle on the phone. She found a Beagle a few weeks ago and it is enjoying life at 555 Filbert Street, but maybe it would also like to return to its former home.

That was a nice informal party in the cost-accounting department at Rheem earlier this month. The gals presented a playpen and pad to Jeanne Bratton of Los Altos on her last

day at work before leaving to await, the "Welcome Little Stranger" as the inscription on the cake said.

The G. Merle Witecrafts were here for the Westvaco Christmas party (held at Adobe Creek Lodge this year) and stayed as overnight guests of the George Worleys. While they were here they also dropped around to say Merry Christmas to many of their former neighbors and friends. Hope to get up from Modesto to do likewise for New Years too.

Pleasures we have enjoyed in '54 and will again in '55 will include listening to the polkas, landers and the like over 'Polka Time' on KLOK in the mornings. Especially when they play records made by Newark's own wonderful Joe Reichmuth and his Swiss orchestra. Take a bow, Joe.

Music of another type on radio station KWBR, 1310 on the dial, is provided by a quartette of Newark residents. Nearly every Sunday at 4 p. m. Dez and Lucille Brown and Victor and Thelma Potts sing on the spiritual program "Wings of Deliverance." Rev. James Brown, Pastor of the House of Prayer Church in Niles presents the sermon. Rev. Brown and Dz are brothers.

Dick and Lorraine Simas and son Jimmy spent the Christmas weekend as guests of Lorraine's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Dias in Santa Clara.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davis entertained Irene's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Berry of Bellingham, Washington who were here for a four day visit just ahead of Santa Claus.

Marty Sammon Jr. was home for the holidays relaxing from his studies at Santa Clara.

Neil and Bea Sheffield have Bea's mother, Mrs. Amalia Goltz of Tracy, Minnesota, staying with them for an indefinite stay. Skip & Tuffy, the Sheffield's young sons, were tickled to have their grandmother here for Christmas. The day was quite festive as they were joined by Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Stonebridge (Mrs. Goltz's other daughter, Pearl) and son Ronnie of Belmont and Mrs. Evelyn Waddams of Menlo Park.

At the risk of being ostracized by the Eddie Fisher fan clubs we will name him as the man

who got the most with the least in '54. The most being the sweet and curvaceous Debbie Reynolds and the least being his singing which seems to us typed and loud-like it was recorded in the shower.

What makes a hit record? There is a big question for which there is no right answer. Not so many years ago the artist made the record and nowadays the record in many cases makes the artist. Quick, how many of you ever heard of Joan Webber before "Let Me Go Lover" hit the airwaves?

While we were in San Francisco last week for a pre-Christmas family visit we had the pleasure of congratulating George Campbell, impresario of Winterland, (home of the Ice Follies) on his elevation to a vice presidency in the M.C.A. (Music Corporation of America) and we say that it couldn't have happened to a better man.

We have always had a great admiration for the Ice Follies and have thrilled to its performances many times. Possibly our admiration dates back to the time we gave an emergency driving (golf, if you please) lesson to a comely and pert young Ice Follie so she could hit the ball when she took her swings before the gallery at the Hole In One tournament at Lincoln Park. Does that make us a pro? We could use a few lessons ourselves now.

When is this area going to get a golf course? Several locations around Mission San Jose would make beautiful courses. . . if homes aren't built in all the available places before the local residents gain control of their own planning.

Will headway be made on Township Recreation and Township Incorporation in 1955? Will it continue to reach its ultimate goal piecemeal with more smaller entities like the Newark Rec' District and Glenmoor Service District (proposed) gradually merging for their mutual benefit, slowly, noisily and painfully?

Shortie greetings are loaded with happy birthdays. . . to Joe Zanon who marked another year yesterday and this proves someone else remembered beside his wife. . . to Edwina Harrison as she celebrated midway between Christmas and New Years. . . to Gene Carroll (hey, dat's us) and we agree with everyone who agrees that December 28 is a lousy time to have a birthday, but it hurts a lot less on our 29th (move over Jack!)

than it did on our 9th. . . to Danny Barao as he celebrated his 9th with a party on December 23. . . to Scotty Haynes as he checks another year Thursday. . . to Michael Spence as he prepares to celebrate his eleventh on New Years Eve. . . to Norman Davis as he celebrates on Friday. . . to young Ricky Santos as he adds another number then too. . .

Bob and Mary Joe McGinnis will be looking forward to New Years Eve again this year as they celebrate their fifth (wooden) wedding anniversary. The only trouble with having an anniversary on a holiday is that it gives the poor man absolutely no excuse for forgetting the occasion.

Harvey and Margaret Stovall are in the same boat as they celebrate their first anniversary of sailing in the matrimonial waters on New Years Day. Congrats all around to both couples.

The Ford Wives Sewing Club, (maybe they should call themselves the Fairlaners or maybe Thunderbirdies after the latest Ford creations,) well anyhow the club is growing as they took in three more new members at their Christmas party meeting. Gertrude Wilson was a gracious hostess as the group exchanged gifts and were served refreshments. Present were Mary Evans, Barbara Cheney and Tela Averett, the trio of new members plus Thelma Branham, Madeline Yowell, Maybelle Breen, Nicky Peters and Zelma Burselon.

The Womens Societies of the Presbyterian Church brought some holiday spirit and good will into the wards at Parks Air Force Base Hospital when they sent along artificial trees, cookies and gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Auchard and Millie Clay delivered them to the hospital on the Sunday preceding Christmas.

The adult choir, under the direction of Mrs. Esther Tonner, sang for the servicemen and their families at the hospital last Sunday.

Joe and Emma Dias found their home echoing the pleasant and cheerful chatter of their family as they entertained for Christmas dinner. Their guests included: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Scalfire and son Bill and daughter, Leona; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dias and children, Roxanne and Tommy; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dias and Madge and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Soito and Nancy.

Buzz Foley, the Navy's finest Fireman 3rd Class from Newark, is around to brighten the holi-

days for his parents, the Howards Foleys; and his fiancée, Marlene Phippen.

Louie Gene Milani, the Army's finest prospect for a private from Newark, enjoyed Christmas at home too. He brightened things around the Louis Milani home with his to-be-continued story, "Tales of Fort Ord."

The past year saw the Township's two weekly papers, the Township Register in Niles and the Washington News in Centerville, consolidate to give their subscribers and advertisers better coverage and service. We are happy to be associated with News-Register. There are at least two reasons we're happy. First because it gives us an opportunity to meet and know so many wonderful people. You. To us everyone is our neighbor and streets and addresses rarely appear in our column for that reason. Another reason is that we like to cash our pay check. Frankly put.

There is an old saying that if you have one friend you're a rich man. We hope you are all millionaires. The way we feel right now old John D. himself is a beggar by comparison and the reason we feel that way is the kind words spoken and written to us during the Christmas holiday. Thanxxxxxxx.

There isn't much "news" in this effort as we took the "easy way out" and saved plenty of

time relaxing and enjoying Christmas ourselves. Oh, by the way before we forget, a HAPPY and HEALTHY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL.



It's high time to wish you A Happy New Year and thank you for your wonderful patronage.

LeRoy Broun

and Geoffrey Steel
Attorneys at Law
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We greet a gay New Year with its bright and shining face. We hope it will keep you smiling all the way through!

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Not at all like buried treasure
To "get rich quick" is hard to do
And not for folks like me and you.
Prosperity earned by hard endeavor
Brings security that lasts forever.

Happy New Year

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NILES



Open the door to this old fashioned miss
Who's stopping in to tell you this . . .
We're wishing for you in '55
A year as happy as it can be.

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NEWARK

New Year's Service Set

A New Years Eve Watch Night Service will be held in the First Baptist Church of Centerville this Friday night.

The Calvary Baptist Church of Irvington is combining with the local church in this program.

The service will begin at 9:00 p.m. Included in the activities for the evening will be special music, devotions, fellowship and refreshments.

One of the features of the evening will be the showing of the Moody Bible Institute film "Voice of the Deep." This film records amazing sounds of marine life never before heard by man.

Reverend Joe Sherman, pastor of First Baptist, and Reverend Kenneth Smith, pastor of the Irvington Church, have extended an invitation to all who wish to view this film and participate in this service.



May 1955 be the picture of contentment for you, highlighted with achievement and joyful experiences.

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To all the members of our fine community, we extend hearty wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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Centerville



Here's looking at you to wish you and yours
A Prosperous New Year

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Sewer Bond Vote Jan. 18 At 'Springs

A \$30,000 bond election will be held in the southern end of Washington Township next month as a result of annexation of a portion of Warm Springs to the Irvington Sanitary District.

The election is set for January 18. Some 700 acres north of the grammar school is involved. The money will be used to bring sewer mains into an area now served by septic tanks.

The Irvington Sanitary District also has set January 11 to hear petitions for annexing 1200 acres northwest of Irvington. Principal owners are the Bailey, Stevenson and Wipfli families along PG&E Road.

On January 4, another hearing will decide whether to take in 450 acres along Driscoll Road.

GI IN PLAY

Army Pvt. Steven E. Barringer, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon L. Day, 3 Jersey Rd., Irvington, is participating in "Rope", a play presented by his unit's Special Services section in Germany. Barringer, a clerk in Company D of the 4th Infantry Division's 12th Infantry Regiment, is acting during his off duty hours. He arrived in Europe last April.

The first successful "oil mining" in the Western hemisphere was in Ventura County in the 1860s, when tunnels driven into Sulphur Mountain penetrated oil sands.

READ THE WANTADS!



May you look forward to a banner year of abundance and lasting joy, as we look forward to serving you again in 1955!

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IRVINGTON NEWS

By CAROL KIEP

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Long are spending the holiday season in Kansas City. The Longs are driving a new car. Santa came early.

Santa Claus also came early to the Bill Trenouths; a blue "Caddie."

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Armstrong, Carolyn & Larry Thomas are spending the holidays in Arizona visiting her people and his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowan Henry and Scott of Bakersfield spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Henry.

Our sympathy to the Earl Black family; Mrs. Black's mother, Mrs. L. Reynolds, passed away suddenly.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Rogers and family of Eureka are visiting her family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hall, and other relatives. The new baby is a boy. Mrs. Rogers is the former Lorene Hall.

Mrs. E. H. Hirsch, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Connolly, John and Don entertained Miss Lucille Connolly Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Trant had a family Christmas with the Tom Berges and the Ed Freitas family as guests.

At the Postoffice the busy people were so busy giving us, the public our Christmas mail that the plans for the holidays were mostly on the quiet side; Postmaster Ernest Vayssie, "A quiet day at home with my family," Lorraine Zbynski, "Christmas at home," Alberta George, "Christmas with my sister," Pearl Guardanapo, "In Newark with Manuel's people."

Mr. and Mrs. Hector Caraballo of San Leandro are the parents of a son, Keith Edward, born November 29. They have a daughter, Linda. This makes Mrs. Linda Kraft a grandmother for a second time.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rohrbacker have had their daughter, Mrs. Dove and her family up from San Diego for the holidays. The son-in-law is at sea with the Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Arrow-smith and family had a gathering of the Krueger clan at their home in Callery Court on Christmas. Only Bill and Dana Krueger and the family were missing.

Mrs. Arthur Pugh will be in Los Angeles from Monday to Friday visiting her brothers.

The schooner "Le Griffon" was the first commercial vessel to sail the Great Lakes; its keel was laid on January 26, 1879.

While there she will take in the Rose Bowl game.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Perriera, Fatsy and Charlene had Mr. and Mrs. M. Swartz of Niles and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Abreu of Mission San Jose as guests Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Henry of San Francisco, one-time residents of Irvington visited relatives, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rose and Norman had Christmas dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Ross Castro and girls of San Jose, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Rose and Sandy from Concord, Mrs. Doris Rego and Eileen, and Mrs. Bertha Rose.

Mrs. Jessie Lambert of San Francisco spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Lambert, Gregory and Linda in Irvington Square. Mr. Lambert teaches at the high school.

Mrs. C. E. Alter of Denver and Miss Edna Drulliner of Artesia are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Alter and family. Mrs. Alter saw her new great grandson, Ricci Avolicino, son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Avolicino (Dina Alter).

Local friends of the Eugene Owens are planning to attend the wedding of their daughter, Geraldine Marie, to Clinton Francis Myers, Jr. Dec. 29, in the Church of the Nativity, Menlo Park. A reception will be held following the ceremony at the family home in Atherton. The groom is an officer in the United States Army.

Miss Barbara Summers of Arcata is spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hunt.

Orbie Robertson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Robertson had a holiday from the Air Force and is home from Georgia.

Square Dance Class

A beginners' class in American Square Dancing will start at 8:00 p.m., January 7 at Centerville Elementary School, 267 S. Main, and will meet each Friday thereafter from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.

The class will be sponsored by the Township Twirlers Square Dance Club and will be under the direction of Dorothy and Ronald Griffith. Everyone is welcome.

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CAROLYN PAVAO

TOWN TID-BITS

By Pat Binder

This week's good cook is Carolyn Pavao of Newark. A native of California, she has lived in the Township since last March.

Carolyn is the busy mother of three children: Shirley, Tommy and Beverly. Her husband Manuel is employed with the Orangeburg Manufacturing Co.

A talented home maker and an excellent cook, Carolyn specializes in Italian foods. She offers her recipe for "Mock Pizza" which is especially appropriate at this time as it is easily prepared for unexpected company.

Recipe for Mock Pizza:
3 tablespoons cooking oil
2 large cloves of garlic
1 can tomato paste
1 1/2 cups water
1/2 teaspoon salt
Dash, pepper or chili
Pinch of oregano
6 french rolls cut in half
Variations of anchovies or fried peppers and cheese may be used.

Saute garlic chopped in oil until light brown. Add tomato paste, water, salt, pepper and pinch of oregano. Simmer 20 minutes. Cut french rolls in half, laying flat on cookie sheet and pour above sauce on each half roll. If desired place a filet of anchovy and a sprinkling of romano cheese on each roll. Place under broiler until golden brown and serve hot.

A large collection of early California mementos is housed in Pioneer Hall of the California Historical Society in San Francisco.

Bee To Take Assembly Seat

Assemblyman Carlos Bee of Hayward, only newly elected representative of Alameda county in the lower house of the State Legislature, will take his oath of office from Secretary of State Frank M. Jordan next Monday in the Assembly chambers of the State Capitol in Sacramento.

The Assemblyman was elected in November for a two-year term succeeding Francis Dunn, Jr.

Assemblyman Bee will take his seat in the lower house with 119 other members, 15 of whom, like himself, will be freshmen legislators.

The Alameda county assemblyman will be assigned a private office and will be appointed to serve on numerous committees as soon as the Assembly has organized officially.

The Assemblyman faces what capital observers say will be one of the most controversial sessions in many years. The question of cutting costs of state government or adding new taxes faces the legislature this session. One faction claims the multi-million dollar deficit may be met by cutting the proposed billion-dollar budget to meet the income, while another faction prescribes a new tax on cigarettes, liquor and horse-race betting.

Unemployment insurance highway construction, additional hospitals and prisons, liquor control, and other subjects point to the introduction of a record number of bills in the opening days of the session. Nearly 6,000 were introduced at the regular session two years ago.

Local Students

Home For Vacation

Home from Cate School at Santa Barbara for the holidays is Billy Granger, son of the Harvey Grangers of Decoto; likewise spending the holidays with her parents are Anita Bailey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bailey of Alviso District; on holidays with his parents the Jack Proutys is Craig Prouty, now of Menlo School. Diane Roeding also takes a breather from her daily commute to Castilleja to spend the Yuletide with her parents, the George Roedings.

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A toast to you and your family for a New Year that will bubble like champagne with joy, prosperity and good health.

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Captain Accused Of Taking Bribe

An Army captain from Centerville has been charged with accepting bribes and with a variety of other crimes as the outgrowth of a probe of Army-saloonkeeper relations in San Francisco.

Stated for court-martial is Capt. Carl R. Karr, 43, of 471 Dowling St., who until last June was chief of the San Francisco detachment of the Armed Forces Police.

Holder of a distinguished service record, Capt. Karr is charged with receiving bribes from a tavern owner, with taking \$51 from the detachment service fund, and with several other offenses.

If found guilty he faces dismissal or imprisonment. Capt. Karr is now on assignment with the Quartermaster in San Francisco. He moved here last March.

At Ft. Lewis

Pvt. Kenneth R. Teague, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin R. Teague, 164 Orchard Drive, Niles, is now serving at Fort Lewis, Wash., with the 6021st Service Unit.

A clerk-typist in Headquarters Company, Private Teague entered the Army in July 1954 and was stationed at Fort Ord, before arriving in Washington last month.



We add our own good wishes to the many that are exchanged at this joyous season. Happy 1955.

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May you and the New Year make a winning combination of accomplishment, fun and good health.

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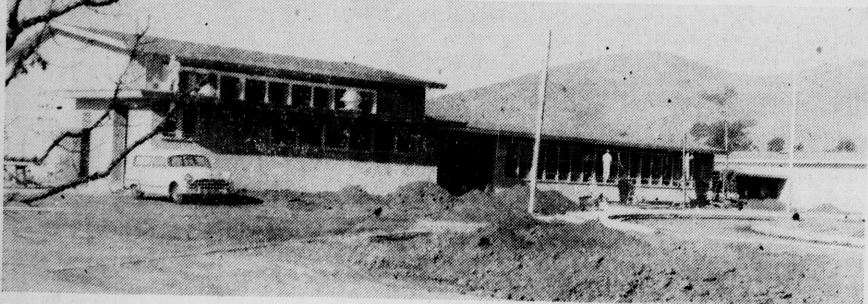
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Events of Year In Review



GUINEA PIGS—For a good cause were some 800 Township youngsters when polio-vaccine was given trial here. Above, Dr. E. M. Grimmer inoculates brave little Judy Costa, who is comforted by PTA Room Mother Doris Correa at Irvington School.



NEEDED BADLY—were more schools, such as the one being finished at Niles (above) to care for Washington Township's swollen educational population, 7000 school-age youngsters.



ARMORY—New home for Centerville's National Guard unit, Battery C, was dedicated by California's Adjutant General Earle M. Jones (center) with assistance of unit commander Capt. Joe Beaudin and Dan Irwin, representing local chamber of commerce.



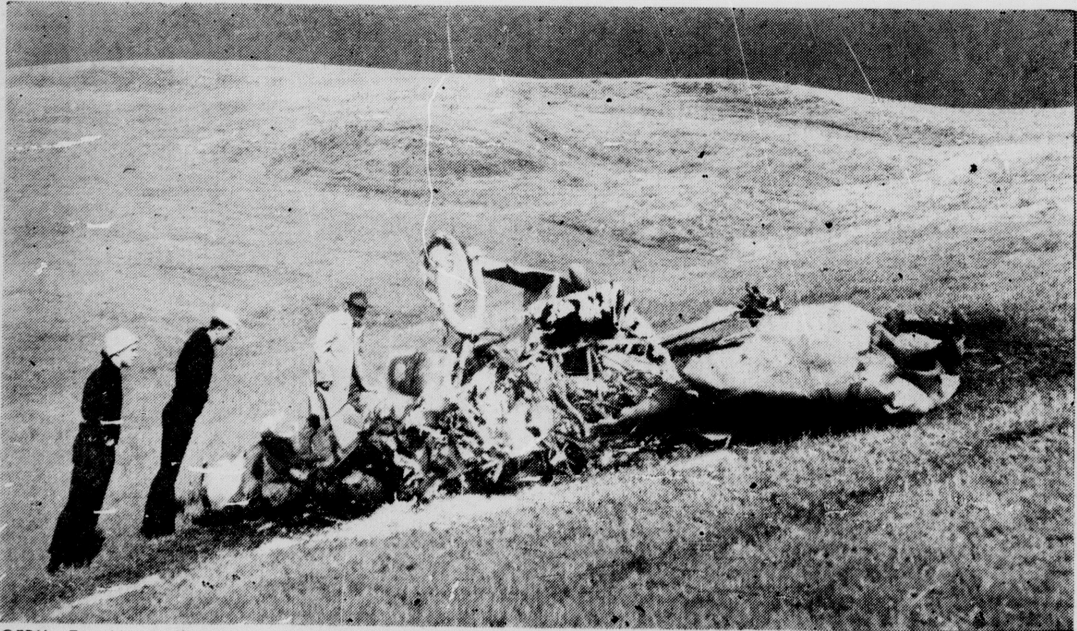
ANIMAL STORY—of the year was slaying of this brown bear near her Sierra cabin by Niles' foremost huntress, Helen Carey.



BRRRRR—1954 started off with some freezing temperatures, and these youngsters had an unusual frolic when snow fell on Mission Peak.



INVESTMENT—By industry, old and new, was exemplified by this \$150,000 headquarters building erected by Kimber Farms Inc., at Niles.



TRAGEDY—Two Navy officers, recently returned from Korea, met death on hills behind Decoto when their light plane (above) crashed in darkness while they were returning to Oakland.



KIDNAPPER—Ralph Maria of Niles was arrested and imprisoned for the brutal kidnapping of a 16-year-old school-girl and her escort.



GROWING PAIN—(as some saw it) was dispute over hiring of fulltime firemen at Niles. Here Jack Parry, anti-hiring chief, makes a point before Commissioners Tony Alves, John Brahmst and Leon Solon. Three firemen were hired.



HOMEOWN BEAUTIES—Dozen Washington Hi gals don traditional garb to vie for title of "Miss Washington Township" in contest sponsored by Junior Chamber of Commerce. Crown was won by Radwyn Hawkins (third from right)



IT'S A DEAL—Representatives of Santa Clara contractor congratulate Washington Hi Supt. J. V. Gould over signing of contract for \$991,000 annex to handle increased enrollment. It is scheduled to be ready in March.

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"PUT UP OR SHUT UP"

Organization of a citizen-committee to advise and formulate a "master plan" for Washington Township is a step which opens wide the gates of opportunity for the civic-minded here. At the same time, it puts our leaders on their mettle.

In public and in private, we Townshipers have cried out loud and often against what we considered abuse or non-use of the planning function by our rulers at the Oakland Courthouse.

Now there appears a grassroots group. It is without official power to be sure. But it is one whose makeup, backing and aims give it great potential power, power to shape our own destiny.

It is significant that several able women have come to the forefront in the committee. The distaff influence has been lacking in our civic councils here. That may be one reason why so many past plans have come to naught: there were no gals on hand to shame the men into action.

For action is what we must show now. It will do no good to take refuge behind the weary argument that no planning will be done because nobody in the Courthouse will listen to us. We must figure on a new attitude up there. In fact, there is bound to be one, with three new Supervisors coming into office next week.

There are plenty of pirates willing to plan our wonderful Township to suit themselves. It is high time we recognized it. If we want to have a happy and balanced community, we must act to channel its development along the lines we want. This is a chance to do it.

If we don't, we have forfeited the right to criticize our officials for acting in the absence of any mandate from the Township. And if we do act, dare they openly ignore us? Energetic men and women on the planning committee will make it hot for them if they do.

Every Townshippier who claims a shred of civic consciousness should attend the January 3 meeting.

SOMETHING TO REMEMBER

A chance to show appreciation for a first-class unselfish effort, and to forgive a trifling mistake, is provided residents of this area by the recent Christmas Show staged by the merchants' association of Centerville.

At the cost of a lot of hard work, the merchants put on a free performance of music and fun that delighted hundreds of children and their parents the week before Christmas. It was one of the finest shows ever staged here. Unfortunately its effect was marred at the end because it went off too well — and too fast. The merchants' official directing it decided to hold the drawing for a stove (again a free gift) before the scheduled hour for the convenience of the crowd. This rightly annoyed some folks who held tickets they felt might have won. For that reason several threatened the merchants with everything including a boycott.

Hell hath no fury like a raffle fan scorned, it seems. But it also seems to us the indignant ones should remember the fine show, the children's enjoyment, and should temper their wrath toward an organization which has tried hard to benefit the public during its short life.

Township Tom...By Nixon



"Good thing New Year's Eve falls on a Friday — this way I got all day Saturday and Sunday to worry about what it cost me."

The Editor's Corner

By Stuart Nixon

TV has invaded our house for fair, and the young 'uns never let us forget it. Prayers unsupervised are apt to go something like this "... For thine is the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory, Vitamins, Minerals and Proteins;" or "A-men, Almond Joy!"

Twenty years ago I broke in as an office boy lugging a mail-bag to the postoffice twice a day. This success story came full-circled on Christmas, when the NEWS-REGISTER gang presented me with a handsome mail-bag to lighten my daily chores. Only difference is, this one belongs to me. Still, is this all the farther I've come in 20 years?

Irvington's new street-cleaning deal seems to be working out OK. At least the local chamber of commerce claimed last week it has the cleanest streets in the Township. Any challengers?

Christmas at our place may not have the same tradition some of us old-timers like to remember, but at least this year it smelled like an old-fashioned Christmas. A few nights earlier I put a kink in my back pushing the wagon out of Alan Hirsch's flowerbeds (that's another story). That meant a nightly rubdown with some wintergreen stuff that Les Whitaker puts up. As a result, the whole house had a tangy aroma.

"Why don't you come in sheets?" a lady reporter suggested at a recent meeting when some of those present asked to remain anonymous.

Stationed In Japan

Marine 2nd Lt. Donald S. Waunch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Waunch of 367 Portola Dr., Centerville, has arrived in Japan to serve with Marine Aircraft Group 11, a jet fighter-bomber unit of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, stationed at the U. S. Naval Air Station at Atsugi.

200 Enjoy Entertainment At Big Eden-Washington Farm Center Here

More than 200 members and friends of the Eden-Washington Farm Center attended the annual Farm Bureau Christmas party this week.

Youngsters and oldsters alike were thrilled by the entertainment arranged for by Donald Spetti of Cherry Lane, Niles, chairman for the evening.

Talented young musicians and dancers assembled by the McElvain sisters of Niles provided the highlights of the program. William McElvain, Niles, acted as announcer and master of ceremonies for the group.

Those participating in the program were Helen and Veronica McElvain, acrobatic dancers; Alice Andrade, accordion solo; Suzanne, Joanne, Andria, and Betty Ann Dominguez, Spanish dances; Sherill and Elana Holiday, ballet dances; Rosemarie Fazio, accordion solo; Donna Theodore, vocal solo; Gerri Privett, hula dance; Larry & Richard Robbins, steel guitar and accordion duet; and Ken Vix, flaming baton act.

Harry Murphy of Hayward, president of the Alameda County Farm Bureau, presented two comedy films.

Thomas G. Greer of Livermore, secretary of the Alameda County Farm Bureau Directors brought greetings from the C. F. B. and presented some of the latest developments at the county level of the organization.

Santa Claus (through courtesy of E. J. DeLuca of Centerville) dropped in on the party with treats for the children. The party concluded with ice cream and cookies served by the ladies of the committee under the direction of refreshment chairman Mrs. Donald Spetti.

Lucky ticket holder for the turkey was Nick Fazio.

Serving on the committee were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Young, Mr. and Mrs. Donald

SUZU SEZ...



Most unusual sight of the week was near Niles. 'Twas an orange tree, with many oranges, but no leaves.

What are your resolutions going to be? Mine will be to be more tolerant, friendly, less critical, and to end each day with my home in order.

As for the resolutions I should make, they'd be never to mention, taxes, excess weight, self-government, freeways, shopping centers, sofa making, or recreation districts. But then if they aren't.

Better tell your husband what you gave friends and relatives for Christmas. Then he won't have that blank look when they express "thanks."

How long have those flexible door-stops been around? What a boon for careless dusters!

The presence of card rooms in Washington Township leads me to think we might easily have the scandal and notoriety here that's hurt one Contra Costa County area. We don't need 'em, do we?

During the winter months when her bulb beds are bare, a Newark mother discovered the neighborhood boys were digging roads there for their toys.

Be sure to make your new year a certainty, and drive carefully. The other guy might have been drinking too much, you know.

What I thought was a Yuletide decoration turned out to be a bedspread protecting a shrub from the cold nights.

Saddest tale of the season was that of the local woman who made sure her husband had her size listed for gift of a new coat, and then found a set of kitchen pots and pans under the tree. She can't wear 'em to church!

So long...

Cat Show Jan. 22 In Pleasanton

Pedigreed cats, rare cats, domestic shorthairs and the household pet are all being groomed by their owners for the first United Cat Federation show to be held in this area. This show is being sponsored by the Golden Gate Cat Club of Oakland, and it will be held at the Pleasanton Fairgrounds, January 22 and 23.

A special exhibition area at Pleasanton is being readied, with every provision being made for the comfort and protection of the cats, and for the convenience of the exhibitors.

Judges will be Charles Victor, Judge of the Long Hair Division of the All Breed; June Williams, Judge of the Short Hair Division, All Breed; Phyllis Whitney Judge of the Long Hair Specialty; and Isabelle Meader, Judge of the Short Hair Specialty. Show manager is Dorothy Denning, a veteran of many successful Oakland shows.

There will be many trophies and a nice array of beautiful rosettes, with special awards to go to the Best Male, and Best Female Household Pet. Cat owners desiring to enter their pets in the Golden Gate Club Show should write for entry blanks to: Doris Cook, 542 Boyd Road, Pleasant Hill, California.

READ THE WANTADS!

TV PROGRAM—1955 ROSE PARADE

On New Year's Day, the National Broadcasting Company will present to the television audience coast-to-coast the 66th annual Tournament of Roses Parade from Pasadena, California. This year's parade, with its theme of "Familiar Sayings in Flowers", presents all the splendor and breath-taking beauty of millions of flowers which have made the Rose Parade world famous.

Tear out this page and keep it handy for New Year's Day. This Line-of-March will make your viewing of this rainbow spectacle much more enjoyable. Parade begins 12:15 p.m. EST; 11:15 a.m. CST; 10:15 MST; 9:15 a.m. PST.

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